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### Bessie's Books and other things

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During the construction of the building the footings, in most cases may not have been built large enough (according to O.B.C. regulations) to facilitate the additional dead load of a second story. If the building plans are not available the building inspector may request that you have a structural engineer assess it. Another thought that I had is that if you are adding bedrooms there is a chance that your septic system may not be designed to accommodate the (presumed) increased waste loading that the system will encounter. "A portion of the rule is that if the house has 3 bedrooms or less it will require a tank that is not smaller than 3600 litres (800 gallons). The tank and the tile bed size begins to increase when there is more than 3 bedrooms or when the square footage of the home exceeds 2000 sq. ft.

Ok, now back to the initial question. It would be best to remove the old insulation for a few reasons. If the insulation is the paper back fiberglass than it is 40+ years old, the effectiveness of this insulation has diminished to some extent over the years, equally it is likely that there has been a mouse or two running through it over the 40 years. It is worth removing just so that you can have a fresh clean start and give that area a good cleaning (mouse stuff left behind you know, it might be nasty underneath). Removal of this insulation should be done with the proper safety equipment, a quality mask (not the paper ones) goggles and gloves. I appreciate that during the

winter months you would like to isolate the upper level to reduce your heating costs. It has been my experience that in some cases this can lead to condensation concerns. With the addition being done in accordance with the requirements of the Ont. Building Code, it should be a pretty tight area that will keep the heat in effectively. Avoiding as many penetrations through the ceiling as possible will be key to effectively managing your heat loss. Multiple "pot lights" or a poorly installed attic access will contribute to heat loss and of course all the problems, including cost that come with it. If you were contemplating a skylight, I would recommend using only the Velux brand as it seems to have a superior roof flashing system. Equally I would have the spray foam company foam the light shaft inside the attic as this is always a point of heat loss. Simply closing your registers or turning your baseboard heater down to say, 10 degrees should be fine, with taking the insulation out of the old ceiling you will now have the stack effect of the heated air rising into the upper space anyway, so you are likely to find that it will remain relatively comfortable. If you are considering having electric heat put in the upstairs you may also be starting to max your electrical service, if you already have a 200 amp service than no problem. If you are running on a 100 amp service than you may want to consult an electrician prior to adding base board heat. A good rule of thumb is to figure on about 2 amps per foot is what is required for base board heat.

I hope that helps.

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# County card scores

May 13 bid euchre at Club 35: For the pinks Marg Oetelaar led at 278 then Helen Windsor 226 and Betty Wager 214. Pat Marshall 271 topped the whites with Clara Miscio 249 next and Tom Pearson 211 third while Norm Mark held the hidden score.

May 13 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: North/South honours went to Gord Cochrane and Nancy Jackson at 58 percent with Vange Croucher and our reporter Margo Davidson a very close second at 57+ percent. Over in East/West Peter O'Connor and Rob Eaton were first at 64 percent with the duo of Reet Murray and Howie Ryan next at 59 percent.

May 13 euchre at Staanworth Court, Minden: Shirley Howe advises that this event will resume in the fall and wishes everyone a great summer.

May 14 bid euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden: First for the whites was Tom Grix 315 followed by Pat Scadden 277, Elva Paisley 271 and Archie Ross 252. Pink honours went to Theresa Deak 290 then Sherin Brown 273 with Maria Tschida and Karin Harrison tied for third at 248 and Sharron Atkinson 241 fourth. Moonshots went to Sherin Brown, Maria Tschida and Pat Scadden while Yette Ezard won the special prize. Thanks to Albert Foster for this update.

May 15 euchre at 6 Parkside, Minden: From Sharon Forbes the news that Nick Boekestyn won for high hands, Miranda Craig for lone hands, Sandra Crockett for low hands and Sherry Gill for the special prize.

May 16 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand holders were Marion Stickwood and Wayne Jones with Pearl Cowen and Julie Keberer posting the highs. Lorna Hicks claimed the afternoon's low and Pearl Cowen won the draw.

May 16 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount

Legion: The top three players were Theresa Deak 326, Dana Briscoe 276 and Emily Harvie 254. Tom Grix claimed the draw prize while Dana Briscoe, Sam Gaudet, Dorothy McElwain, Tom Grix and Theresa Deak [2] took the moonshots.

May 16 euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden: Don Jemmett reports that Nick Boekestyn won for high hands, Doreen Francis for lone hands, Maria Tschida for low hands and Bill Van Dyke for the special prize.

May 16 euchre at Club 35: Lone hand holder was Merv Elstone with Jean Dutka and Dave Lamb posting the high scores. The low scores went to Mary Pearson and Estelle Morrill while Jean Dutka took home the baloney.

May 17 contract bridge at Minden United Church: Leading the high scores was Joan Hummel at 4,610 then Gareth Kellett 4,330 and Linda Grey 4,140 with Joan Hummel and Bob Taylor teaming up for a Small Slam. New players of all skill levels including beginners are welcome to come out to this morning event. For more information give Nancy Ballantyne a call at [705] 286-1305.

May 17 Stanhope Firehall Seniors Mixed Shuffleboard: Moe Briscoe and Ray Lymer teamed up for top spot at 344 with Connie Sawyer and Maurice Lambert next at 343. In third at 326 was the duo of our reporter Pearl Cowen and Andy Boivin while Peggy Beattie going solo totaled up the afternoon's low of 144.

May 17 contract bridge at Club 35: This was the final day ay Club 35 with regular bridge resuming at the Stanhope location on June 7th. The high scoring quartet members were Kathie Porter 6,160, Pearl Foster 5,460, Dorothy Strype 4,520 and Ross Fletcher 4,340. Warren Whalen was awarded the Shiny Penny and Linda Cherry won the draw while Kathie Porter and Margo Davidson

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May 17 euchre at Lochlin: High score holders were Gene Newell and Betty Hicks while Gord Darby and Gala Newell posted the lows. Lone hand honours went to Emily Harvie and Harold Harvie won the special prize. From Barb Carpenter a thank you to everyone who came out to support the program and to those who helped with the lunches. This completes the present series with cards starting up again in the fall.

May 18 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: Bruce Armstrong and Howie Ryan took top spot in North/South at 60 percent followed by Muriel McIntosh and Diana Spicer 56 percent and Peter O'Connor partnered with Vange Croucher 55 percent. East/West leaders [all life partners too] at 65 percent were Tom and Margo Davidson then Jack and Willie Cox 59 percent and Jan and Dave Heaven 58 percent.

May 18 bid euchre at Stanhope: Topping the pinks at 308 was Debbie Lamb followed by Yette Ezard 285 and Sharron Atkinson 243. Newcomer Glen led the whites at 282 then Tom Grix 259 and Betty Jochim 253 while Yette Ezard took the single moonshot of the evening. Thanks to Linda Lambert for this report.

May 18 Big Bucks Bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: Top trio members were Theresa Deak 379, Marcy Morgan 339 and Albert Foster 337. This popular event is held on the third Wednesday of each month at 11 am. with lunch included in the \$10 cost.

May 19 euchre at Minden Legion: Lone hand holders were Bev Johnson and Tom Orr with Muriel McIntosh and John Priestly posting the high scores. Belle Walker and Tom Grix captured the lows while the evening's other prizes went to Karen Chapman, Muriel McIntosh [2], Jesse Barlow and our reporter May Bradbury.

## Encouraging speech and language skills

Don't wait until it is too late.

That is the advice being given to parents and caregivers when it comes to a child's speech and language skills. According to the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit, approximately one in 10 Ontario preschool children have a communication delay that, left untreated, can pose problems in the future.

"Every word counts when it comes to a child's speech skills," says Shelley Shaughnessy, a Family Health Nurse with the HKPR District Health Unit. "Parents and caregivers need to play, talk, listen and read with youngsters to encourage and promote speech and language development."

The Health Unit is highlighting the importance of a child's speech and language development during Speech and Language Month in May. Strong communication skills are essential for children's growth and development and

future success, as these skills help them make friends, learn new things and start reading and writing.

Discovering a child has a speech and language problem can surprise parents and caregivers, Shaughnessy notes. Some parents may think their child is just quieter than other children, or that his or her frustration over words will work itself out over time. In reality, these may be indicators of speech and language problems. Other warning signs to watch for in children include: difficulty following directions, having a hard time being understood, relying on gestures to communicate, and not pronouncing words clearly. A good way for parents to assess a child's communication ability is by using the Ontario government's speech and language milestones for children up to the age of five years. These milestones are available at [www.kidtalk.on.ca](http://www.kidtalk.on.ca).

"Some parents may ignore these warning signs, thinking the problem will fix itself," Shaughnessy says. "Parents

should not wait to take action. If identified early, speech and language problems can usually be addressed."

Help is also available in this area for parents who are concerned about their child's speech and language development. The Health Unit is a partner in the District Preschool Speech and Language Program, a not-for-profit partnership between professionals and parents to enhance speech and language services for children in Northumberland County, Haliburton County and the City of Kawartha Lakes. Parents can call the Health Unit toll-free at 1-866-888-4577 for the following:

An assessment of a child's speech and language skills. Parents can have their child's speech skills screened over the phone by a Family Health Nurse with the Health Unit, and can also call in with questions about speech and language development.

Referrals to Five Counties Children's Centre for speech and language therapy, or the Northumberland Child Development Centre.

Resources and practical guides for parents to improve children's speech skills, including the promotion of reading, interactive games and active communication methods.

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a heavy smoker. She tried to quit several times when I was a teenager, and a young adult but just couldn't do it. At the age of 72 she was diagnosed with a double aneurysm and had to have surgery. She smoked her last cigarette on the night before she went into the hospital and never had another. She never told any of us that she was going to try and quit – something inside her changed and she just did it. She no longer has a smokers cough and has taken up exercising in the last few years. I guess her vision of her health changed when she received the diagnosis. My dad is 83 and grew up in England eating lots of beef, pork, desserts, bread soaked in bacon fat etc. My dad has always loved to eat his and has struggled

with his weight his whole life. At the age of about 75 his arthritis, asthma and other health concerns were affecting him, and so he made the decision to switch to eating organic, vegetarian food (with some organic meat once in a while). Now, when I go to visit him he is always giving me updates on the latest foods that are good for us and is always willing to share new recipes and new ideas for health and well being. Both of my parents made big changes in their 70's and have learned a lot in the process – and they are healthier.. When I plan my weekly yoga lessons, I put together a sequence of postures that is focused on some vision that I have chosen such as opening the hips, strengthening the spine etc. I think that we can all sequence our lives in a way

that supports whatever vision we have for ourselves. Creating a sequence and then cultivating sincere focus and attention will help us work towards that vision. We are all different and we all different visions for ourselves... what is important is know what you want and what small, manageable steps you can take towards fulfilling your dreams. Whether it is to become more active, to eat a little better, to feel more connected to the community, to have more fun, etc. - it all starts with a vision.

Lynda Shadbolt is inspired by her parents, and she teaches yoga at the Blue Sky Yoga Studio in downtown Haliburton. For more information about her courses you can check out [www.haliburtonyoga.com](http://www.haliburtonyoga.com) or call 705-457-3121.

## Considering an addition

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During the construction of the building the footings, in most cases may not have been built large enough (according to O.B.C. regulations) to facilitate the additional dead load of a second story. If the building plans are not available the building inspector may request that you have a structural engineer assess it. Another thought that I had is that if you are adding bedrooms there is a chance that your septic system may not be designed to accommodate the (presumed) increased waste loading that the system will encounter. "A portion of the rule is that if the house has 3 bedrooms or less it will require a tank that is not smaller than 3600 litres (800 gallons). The tank and the tile bed size begins to increase when there is more than 3 bedrooms or when the square footage of the home exceeds 2000 sq. ft.

Ok, now back to the initial question. It would be best to remove the old insulation for a few reasons. If the insulation is the paper back fiberglass that is 40+ years old, the effectiveness of this insulation has diminished to some extent over the years, equally it is likely that there has been a mouse or two running through it over the 40 years. It is worth removing just so that you can have a fresh clean start and give that area a good cleaning (mouse stuff left behind you know, it might be nasty underneath). Removal of this insulation should be done with the proper safety equipment, a quality mask (not the paper ones) goggles and gloves. I appreciate that during the

winter months you would like to isolate the upper level to reduce your heating costs. It has been my experience that in some cases this can lead to condensation concerns. With the addition being done in accordance with the requirements of the Ont. Building Code, it should be a pretty tight area that will keep the heat in effectively. Avoiding as many penetrations through the ceiling as possible will be key to effectively managing your heat loss. Multiple "pot lights" or a poorly installed attic access will contribute to heat loss and of course all the problems, including cost that come with it. If you were contemplating a skylight, I would recommend using only the Velux brand as it seems to have a superior roof flashing system. Equally I would have the spray foam company foam the light shaft inside the attic as this is always a point of heat loss. Simply closing your registers or turning your baseboard heater down to say, 10 degrees should be fine, with taking the insulation out of the old ceiling you will now have the stack effect of the heated air rising into the upper space anyway, so you are likely to find that it will remain relatively comfortable. If you are considering having electric heat put in the upstairs you may also be starting to max your electrical service, if you already have a 200 amp service than no problem. If you are running on a 100 amp service than you may want to consult an electrician prior to adding base board heat. A good rule of thumb is to figure on about 2 amps per foot is what is required for base board heat.

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# County card scores

May 13 bid euchre at Club 35: For the pinks Marg Oetelaar led at 278 then Helen Windsor 226 and Betty Wager 214. Pat Marshall 271 topped the whites with Clara Miscio 249 next and Tom Pearson 211 third while Norm Mark held the hidden score.

May 13 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: North/South honours went to Gord Cochrane and Nancy Jackson at 58 percent with Vange Croucher and our reporter Margo Davidson a very close second at 57+ percent. Over in East/West Peter O'Connor and Rob Eaton were first at 64 percent with the duo of Reet Murray and Howie Ryan next at 59 percent.

May 13 euchre at Staanworth Court, Minden: Shirley Howe advises that this event will resume in the fall and wishes everyone a great summer.

May 14 bid euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden: First for the whites was Tom Grix 315 followed by Pat Scadden 277, Elva Paisley 271 and Archie Ross 252. Pink honours went to Theresa Deak 290 then Sherin Brown 273 with Maria Tschida and Karin Harrison tied for third at 248 and Sharron Atkinson 241 fourth. Moonshots went to Sherin Brown, Maria Tschida and Pat Scadden while Yette Ezard won the special prize. Thanks to Albert Foster for this update.

May 15 euchre at 6 Parkside, Minden: From Sharon Forbes the news that Nick Boekestyn won for high hands, Miranda Craig for lone hands, Sandra Crockett for low hands and Sherry Gill for the special prize.

May 16 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand holders were Marion Stickwood and Wayne Jones with Pearl Cowen and Julie Keberer posting the highs. Lorna Hicks claimed the afternoon's low and Pearl Cowen won the draw.

May 16 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount

Legion: The top three players were Theresa Deak 326, Dana Briscoe 276 and Emily Harvie 254. Tom Grix claimed the draw prize while Dana Briscoe, Sam Gaudet, Dorothy McElwain, Tom Grix and Theresa Deak [2] took the moonshots.

May 16 euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden: Don Jemmett reports that Nick Boekestyn won for high hands, Doreen Francis for lone hands, Maria Tschida for low hands and Bill Van Dyke for the special prize.

May 16 euchre at Club 35: Lone hand holder was Merv Elstone with Jean Dutka and Dave Lamb posting the high scores. The low scores went to Mary Pearson and Estelle Morrill while Jean Dutka took home the baloney.

May 17 contract bridge at Minden United Church: Leading the high scores was Joan Hummel at 4,610 then Gareth Kellett 4,330 and Linda Grey 4,140 with Joan Hummel and Bob Taylor teaming up for a Small Slam. New players of all skill levels including beginners are welcome to come out to this morning event. For more information give Nancy Ballantyne a call at [705] 286-1305.

May 17 Stanhope Firehall Seniors Mixed Shuffleboard: Moe Briscoe and Ray Lymer teamed up for top spot at 344 with Connie Sawyer and Maurice Lambert next at 343. In third at 326 was the duo of our reporter Pearl Cowen and Andy Boivin while Peggy Beattie going solo totaled up the afternoon's low of 144.

May 17 contract bridge at Club 35: This was the final day ay Club 35 with regular bridge resuming at the Stanhope location on June 7th. The high scoring quartet members were Kathie Porter 6,160, Pearl Foster 5,460, Dorothy Strype 4,520 and Ross Fletcher 4,340. Warren Whalen was awarded the Shiny Penny and Linda Cherry won the draw while Kathie Porter and Margo Davidson

teamed up for a Small Slam.

May 17 euchre at Lochlin: High score holders were Gene Newell and Betty Hicks while Gord Darby and Gala Newell posted the lows. Lone hand honours went to Emily Harvie and Harold Harvie won the special prize. From Barb Carpenter a thank you to everyone who came out to support the program and to those who helped with the lunches. This completes the present series with cards starting up again in the fall.

May 18 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: Bruce Armstrong and Howie Ryan took top spot in North/South at 60 percent followed by Muriel McIntosh and Diana Spicer 56 percent and Peter O'Connor partnered with Vange Croucher 55 percent. East/West leaders [all life partners too] at 65 percent were Tom and Margo Davidson then Jack and Willie Cox 59 percent and Jan and Dave Heaven 58 percent.

May 18 bid euchre at Stanhope: Topping the pinks at 308 was Debbie Lamb followed by Yette Ezard 285 and Sharron Atkinson 243. Newcomer Glen led the whites at 282 then Tom Grix 259 and Betty Jochim 253 while Yette Ezard took the single moonshot of the evening. Thanks to Linda Lambert for this report.

May 18 Big Bucks Bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: Top trio members were Theresa Deak 379, Marcy Morgan 339 and Albert Foster 337. This popular event is held on the third Wednesday of each month at 11 am. with lunch included in the \$10 cost.

May 19 euchre at Minden Legion: Lone hand holders were Bev Johnson and Tom Orr with Muriel McIntosh and John Priestly posting the high scores. Belle Walker and Tom Grix captured the lows while the evening's other prizes went to Karen Chapman, Muriel McIntosh [2], Jesse Barlow and our reporter May Bradbury.

## Encouraging speech and language skills

Don't wait until it is too late.

That is the advice being given to parents and caregivers when it comes to a child's speech and language skills. According to the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit, approximately one in 10 Ontario preschool children have a communication delay that, left untreated, can pose problems in the future.

"Every word counts when it comes to a child's speech skills," says Shelley Shaughnessy, a Family Health Nurse with the HKPR District Health Unit. "Parents and caregivers need to play, talk, listen and read with youngsters to encourage and promote speech and language development."

The Health Unit is highlighting the importance of a child's speech and language development during Speech and Language Month in May. Strong communication skills are essential for children's growth and development and

future success, as these skills help them make friends, learn new things and start reading and writing.

Discovering a child has a speech and language problem can surprise parents and caregivers, Shaughnessy notes. Some parents may think their child is just quieter than other children, or that his or her frustration over words will work itself out over time. In reality, these may be indicators of speech and language problems. Other warning signs to watch for in children include: difficulty following directions, having a hard time being understood, relying on gestures to communicate, and not pronouncing words clearly. A good way for parents to assess a child's communication ability is by using the Ontario government's speech and language milestones for children up to the age of five years. These milestones are available at [www.kidtalk.on.ca](http://www.kidtalk.on.ca).

"Some parents may ignore these warning signs, thinking the problem will fix itself," Shaughnessy says. "Parents

should not wait to take action. If identified early, speech and language problems can usually be addressed."

Help is also available in this area for parents who are concerned about their child's speech and language development. The Health Unit is a partner in the District Preschool Speech and Language Program, a not-for-profit partnership between professionals and parents to enhance speech and language services for children in Northumberland County, Haliburton County and the City of Kawartha Lakes. Parents can call the Health Unit toll-free at 1-866-888-4577 for the following:

An assessment of a child's speech and language skills. Parents can have their child's speech skills screened over the phone by a Family Health Nurse with the Health Unit, and can also call in with questions about speech and language development.

Referrals to Five Counties Children's Centre for speech and language therapy, or the Northumberland Child Development Centre.

Resources and practical guides for parents to improve children's speech skills, including the promotion of reading, interactive games and active communication methods.

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## Turning a new page

Cohen Nimigon, front, and his mom Angela Henry share a moment with a book during kindergarten welcome night at Stuart Baker Elementary School on May 19 in Haliburton. Read more on page 19. Angelica Blenich Echo staff

# Wilberforce plans for medical centre

Angelica Blenich  
Staff reporter

A medical centre complete with a pharmacy and full-time doctors could find itself a home in a building that once operated as a dairy in Wilberforce.

An open house to discuss the possibility of a such a facility was held at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce on May 19.

Attended by more than 40 residents of Highlands East, the meeting included a proposal to open a pharmacy in a municipal building.

"Council has a proposal that we've received from a local pharmacist. He's interested in putting a pharmacy here in Highlands East," said Reeve Dave Burton.

The owner and operator of a pharmacy in Kinmount for the past six years, Khosrow Eshkour, better known as Kas, would like to see similar practice open up in Wilberforce.

Council is in support of the pharmacy and has had discussions with local doctors about the project, said Burton.

The building being proposed for the pharmacy is used for visits by members of Haliburton's family health team and by the OPP as a community policing office.

"We have talked to the OPP and they feel that the office space is a little too big for their needs nowadays," said Burton.

Located on Loop Road, the building is not wired for high-speed Internet at this time, however those issues are being ironed out, said Burton.

Plans for the new pharmacy and revamped medical centre would see the municipality rent out the building to

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# Golden Helmets coming to Haliburton

## Here, there & everywhere

news and events worth noting

Colourfest 2011 and Community Care Haliburton County are thrilled to announce their joint presentation of the OPP Golden Helmets' dynamic 20-rider motorcycle demonstration at this year's Colourfest on Saturday, Oct. 1.

This is a tremendous opportunity to draw more visitors to Haliburton Highlands during this pristine time of year. The Golden Helmets' 30-minute demonstration, with free poster-giveaways, will be presented in the high school's back parking lot in easy access to a full day of exciting Colourfest activities held in Haliburton Village, Head Lake Park, and the Dysart Community Centre. Time of demonstration to be announced.

Community Care Haliburton County will be hosting their third annual Road Sharks Motorcycle Poker Ride after the OPP Golden Helmets show, all riders are welcome to enjoy the breathtaking fall scenes of Haliburton County. They anticipate the ride to include the OPP Golden Helmets as an escort.

The motorcycles used by the Golden Helmets are Harley Davidson Police Specials. These motorcycles are the same ones used on normal patrol. During each 30-minute performance the riders take their machines through a series of complex patterns, which are intended to demonstrate the maneuverability of the machines and the riders' skills.

## Risk named to LHIN board

The former chairperson of the local health board, Haliburton's Margaret Risk, was named a board member of the Central East Local Health Integration Network last week.

Risk has a long history in health care, as an executive director on the College of Nurses of Ontario from 1982 to 2000, a chairperson of the research committee of the Ontario Stroke Network and teacher at Ryerson University and the University of Toronto.

The Central East LHIN makes strategic decisions affect-

ing health care across a region stretching from Scarborough to Haliburton County.

## Midwife encourages public to lobby for birth centres

Local midwife, Rebecca Weeks-Toth, is asking those concerned about maternal care to fill out a postcard at [www.ontariomidwives.ca/support/centres/mpp](http://www.ontariomidwives.ca/support/centres/mpp) in support of birth centres.

"In our country, we boast universal access to health care. In our community, for our pregnant women, this is very far from truth. There is no access to obstetrical care (with the exception of our practice [Midwifery Services of Haliburton-Bancroft]) and there is no choice," Weeks-Toth wrote in an email. A birth centre would provide a location for women to give birth who don't want to travel to a hospital out of the county and don't want a home birth. Haliburton's hospitals do not offer non-emergency births.

## First HKLB Day a hit, MPP says

MPP Rick Johnson's office is calling a special Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock day at Queen's Park a success after hundreds were drawn to a special event showcasing the region.

On May 18, 50 participants from 10 municipalities, including some from Haliburton County, set up exhibits that were visited by a long list of provincial ministers, among others.

"Exhibits included green energy entrepreneurs; tourism opportunities such as festivals, trails, wildlife reserves, theatre and luxurious accommodations; small-business success stories; historical and cultural centres; farm-to-table freshness; outdoor leisure and sporting activities and – of course – Ontario's best ice cream," a press release from Johnson's office reads.

The day was so successful, that it will be made an annual event. "By exhibiting local businesses, innovations, products and services, HKLB Day will continue to expose what we already know: that Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock is without comparison," Johnson said.

Two of Haliburton County's reeves were equally impressed, with Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey and Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid both extolling the benefits of the special day.



Jim Pratt has been missing since May 11.

## Police search for missing man

The Bancroft OPP are continuing to search for James (Jim) Pratt, 63, who was last seen on the May 11 in the area of Boulter Road in Hastings Highlands east of Haliburton County. Pratt was reported missing to police on May 15. Pratt is from the Cornwall area and frequents the area of Boulter Road where he was last observed. Pratt is described as a white male, medium build, grey hair, approximately 5'8" tall, possibly last wearing grey dress pants and some type of dress shoe.

Anyone who has had contact with Pratt since the May 11 and anyone with any information on James Pratt are asked to contact the Bancroft OPP at 613-332-2112 or the OPP at 1-888-310-1122.

## Police catch drunk driver on 503

On May 14 around 1:30 a.m., officers of the Haliburton Highlands OPP were patrolling County Road 503 in Highlands East when they saw a vehicle being driven erratically. Upon pulling the vehicle over, the officers determined that the driver had been drinking alcohol.

A 48-year-old man of Oshawa was charged with impaired driving, driving with over 80 mgs and driving a motor vehicle with open liquor.

## Hewson cashes in golden Dragons' Den ticket

Angelica Blenich

Staff reporter

Local Bears' Lair winner Brandi Hewson was feeling a little like Charlie Bucket at the Willy Wonka's chocolate factory on April 1 when she cashed in her golden ticket for a

front-of-the-line spot to audition for CBC television show Dragons' Den.

Hewson was awarded the ticket after competing in the Bears' Lair competition finale in Peterborough on March 1. She was selected to represent the Haliburton region in the business competition on Feb. 10.

The entrepreneur pitched her business plan to two producers of the popular CBC show and explained the concept behind WAI Products Ltd., a range of water supply and irrigation products.

"The audition lasted about eight minutes long," said Hewson. Other auditions she witnessed were done in as little as one minute, she said.

Hewson was thankful to have the golden ticket, which allowed her to bypass a waiting room full of what she estimates were hundreds of hopeful contestants.

As of May 18, Hewson had still not heard anything from producers of the television show, but remained positive about the experience and the future of her business venture.

"I'm glad I did it and have no regrets," said Hewson.

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**The Highlands Weekender**

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**Foodie memoirs**

**Coles' Notes**  
Catherine Coles  
Branch Services Librarian

Some people love to eat, some people love to write about what they eat, and then there are some people who enjoy reading books about other people's experiences with what they eat. The books I am referring to belong to the noble genre of "foodie memoirs," books that describe in detail an author's encounters with food during a specific time period, or throughout different stages, of their life. Many people will remember Julie K. Jule's *My Year of Cooking Disasters*, in which author Julie Jule describes her experience cooking through all the recipes in Julia Child's famous *Mastering the Art of French Cooking*. If you enjoyed Julie K. Jule, the Haliburton County Public Library has many other foodie memoirs for you to consider.

In *Chasing the Mango Tree*, author Madhur Jaffrey discusses her amazing ability to recall and re-create the executive flavours of the India she grew up in. The

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# Trillium grant allows Donald plant revamp

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

A shovel may be in the ground as soon as next month as plans to restore the former Donald chemical plant were given a significant boost with a \$47,700 Ontario Trillium Foundation grant.

Formally announced on May 20 by Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Rick Johnson and Ontario Trillium Foundation member Klara Oyler, the grant is the first step in an extensive renovation project to turn the building into a marketing cooperative for green technology and trades.

Johnson expressed his excitement with the project and its future plans at the building's site in Donald.

"Grants can really make a difference for community projects such as this one," said Johnson.

"It's a wonderful thing to be part of the organization," said Oyler. "If you think of all the little projects that are funded that have a big impact, it's just phenomenal what we can do."

"It's good to have local people on the board fighting for these projects," said Johnson.

Under the direction of Leora Berman, during the next two years the building will be given a new roof and façade, while Berman focuses on putting together a business plan and gathering members for the cooperative.

The building will require extensive work, however, Berman hopes to have it fully up and running in the next two to three years.

In the meantime she will be focusing her energy on the creation of a website portal that will allow members to showcase and market their business.

Once completed, the building will provide members with a place to display their green business in what Berman describes as a "living cottage life show".

"Anyone who wants to build green can get information and come here," said Berman.

For the past 25 years the building was owned by Jim O'Connor, who donated it to the project and will continue to stay involved as project manager.

Built in 1902, the building has historical significance, according to Berman and O'Connor, and once served as the hub of



**Angelica Blenich** Echo staff

Jim O'Connor, left, and Leora Berman, second from left, explain to MPP Rick Johnson the plans to transform the historic Donald plant into a marketing cooperative for green technology on May 20 in Donald. Spearheaded by Berman and O'Connor, the project received a \$47,700 Ontario Trillium Foundation grant. The funds will go towards upgrading the facility, repairing the roof and creating a business plan for the project, which is set to begin next month.



**It's good to have local people on the [Trillium] board fighting for these projects.**

— MPP Rick Johnson

Haliburton.

"I had the building structurally assessed and as long as the roof is fixed it will stand another 100 years," said Berman.

The idea behind the cooperative was hatched by Berman and O'Connor, who both saw a need for such an initiative in the community.

"We wanted to green up Haliburton and support economic development and the construction industry," said Berman.

The pair are hoping to work with the sustainable renovation program offered at Fleming College in Haliburton in the future.

Constructed out of reinforced concrete, plans for the building include creating a living roof, to be completed by the end of this summer.

The non-profit cooperative currently has 37 members, with the hopes of expanding to include close to 100, Berman said.

"The building can hold up to 100 booths," she said.

Those interested in becoming members can contact Berman at 705-457-4838 for more information.

The project's website can be found at [www.buildingbetween.ca](http://www.buildingbetween.ca).

## Candidates spent thousands in fall's municipal election

**Jenn Watt**  
Editor

More than \$20,000 was spent on the race for deputy-reeve of Dysart et al in last fall's municipal election, records show.

While none of the four candidates spent close to the \$16,813 limit, a large amount of money was poured into gaining the coveted seat.

Leading the pack was Janis Parker, who spent \$8,625 on her run, with Jerry Walker and Bill Davis (the eventual winner) spending \$5,304 and \$5,087 respectively.

Martin Lacey, who won the least number of votes, spent the least amount of money with \$1,922 in expenses.

In Ward 1, incumbent and victor Andrea Roberts paid \$1,396 in campaign expenses, while Jim Henwood spent just \$688.

Ward 2's winner Dennis Casey vastly out-

spent his opponent John Smith. Casey's campaign cost \$1,173, while Smith claimed \$288.

Tammy Donaldson and Steve Pogue (incumbent and winner) nearly matched each other in spending for the Ward 3 councillor spot, spending \$1,377 and \$1,298 respectively.

Ward 4 had a wide range of spending reported, with Val Craftchick at \$1,912, Andrew Paul at \$609 and Bob Nichol with

\$212. The winner, Susan Norcross, landed in the middle with \$918 in costs.

Spending was heavy in Ward 5, with contenders forking over more than \$2,000 each.

Winner Walt McKechnie spent \$2,273 on his campaign, while Mike Jaycock paid \$2,816 and Keith Hodgson spent \$2,218.

Municipal campaign expenses are not tax deductible and must be reported to the municipality by law.



# Winterfest surplus to be distributed evenly

➤ Extra money from senior winter games leaves county with legacy fund for schools, clubs and the 4Cs Lily Ann Store

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

Senior sports initiatives in Haliburton County are getting a financial boost thanks to the Winterfest 2011 Legacy Fund.

The county's ability to successfully host the Ontario Senior Games Winterfest 2011 event this past winter not only came off without a hitch, but also resulted in a Legacy Fund worth \$43,570, including \$10,070 of equipment, which will be distributed to schools, clubs and the Lily Ann Store.

Event general manager Myke Malone, who spoke for organizing committee chairman Alan Clark at a meeting to discuss the final report of the games, said all the athletes, officials, family and friends who came out for the games demonstrated an invaluable opportunity for the community.

"That was a value that really is priceless as far as bringing people to Haliburton County for that exposure," Malone said.

"The bonding and the goodwill that was created by bringing together 350 volunteers throughout the county to implement the games was another great piece of the legacy of hosting the games."

The event drew 833 athletes/participants, representing a record number of 29 districts (out of a possible 33) across the province and was held throughout Haliburton County from Feb. 15 to 17.

The remaining \$33,500 is available to clubs, groups and individuals that can demonstrate they will increase opportunities for the development of seniors programs to increase physical activity and to develop, promote and enhance activities for seniors at the community level.

The Legacy Fund Committee hopes the funds can be distributed equitably throughout the county.



Winterfest Legacy Committee chairperson Larry Holden addresses other committee members about the legacy fund worth \$43,570, which was announced at McKecks in Haliburton on Thursday, May 19.

Local groups and organizations from each of the four municipalities in Haliburton County are encouraged to apply for a maximum of \$8,375. The hope is to divide the fund equally across the Highlands.

**Darren Lum** Echo staff



**The bonding and the goodwill that was created by bringing together 350 volunteers ... to implement the games was another great piece of the legacy of hosting the games.**

— Games general manager  
Myke Malone

They will review applicant requests that help build active lifestyles or encourage participation in sports for residents 55 and older.

The deadline for applications is the close of the business day on Thursday, June 30.

Applications can be mailed or hand-delivered to the Haliburton County office in Minden addressed to the Winterfest 2011 Legacy Committee and are available at the county's four municipality offices and online at [www.winterfest2011.com](http://www.winterfest2011.com).

Fund recipients will be decided by Aug. 15. Malone adds the ability to host an event of this magnitude signals the viability of the community to host other such events.

"It made our mark as a sport tourism destination whether it be for other games of similar, larger or smaller size or for provincial and national championships ... there's lots of opportunity to develop sport tourism industry, which is a \$3 billion industry here in Canada," he said.

## Defibrillator removed from Haliburton high school

**Chad Ingram**  
Staff reporter

Councillors on the county's emergency services committee were shocked to discover the defibrillator that had been located at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School had been removed.

County emergency services director Pat Kennedy shared the news with councillors at a May 11 committee meeting.

Kennedy said the unit had been removed in February and moved to another location because the school had not met his department's training and monitoring requirements.

"We refuse to have a unit that hasn't got training," he said.

"To me, that is not acceptable," said Minden Hills Deputy-revee Cheryl Murdoch.

Councillors said it was important to have a defibrillator in the building not just for the students, but for the many community members attending events at the school's Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

Kennedy told the paper the defibrillator was placed at the school after a formal memorandum of agreement was made in August of 2009.



**Since that time [August of 2009] the service has repeatedly tried to coordinate the initial training for custodial staff [at HHSS].**

— Pat Kennedy, EMS

"Since that time the service has repeatedly tried to coordinate the initial training for custodial staff," he wrote in an email. "There has also been an ongoing issue with the physical location of the unit in the school."

Kennedy said the county has a stringent assurance program associated with the placement of its defibrillators to ensure that the public can access the unit when needed; the maintenance and monitoring program is complied with to make sure the unit will function properly; there are

trained staff or volunteers around; and that a site coordinator is assigned.

Kevin Cutler is superintendent of special education and safe schools for the Trillium Lakelands District School Board.

Cutler seemed surprised to hear the unit had been removed from the high school.

"Actually, the staff is trained," Cutler said. "I wasn't aware that they were taking it out."

Cutler said there was no animosity between the board and the county and that he would be looking for a solution. "This is something we have to work out with them," he said.

HHSS principal Dan Marsden refused comment on the issue.

The county's elementary schools are not outfitted with defibrillators and Cutler said about half the schools in the City of Kawartha Lakes have them. He said it's an ongoing process getting schools outfitted as machines become available through emergency services providers.

There are 38 public access defibrillators throughout the county, one for every 400 residents, Kennedy said.

The county's defibrillator program began in 2007 and this winter, the defibrillator at the Dorset Recreation Centre saved a man's life.



# Reading tutor coordinators onto next chapter

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

In many ways it is the final page of a happy story.

For teachers Nancy Bishop and Janice Benoit this year's celebration of the reading tutor program at Stuart Baker Elementary School on May 18 marked the end of their involvement with the successful initiative.

With a combined total of almost 50 years of teaching, both Benoit and Bishop will be retiring this June.

The program was started in 2002 with Bishop and Benoit at the helm for the past five years.

The volunteer-driven program runs twice a week for 30 minutes and pairs up approximately 40 tutors with 50 students. The tutors read one-on-one with students in grades 2 and 3.

According to its facilitators, the program has aided students' literacy development and resulted in excellent results in the provincewide EQAO standardized tests.

Along with volunteers from the community, this year's program also included Grade 10 students from Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

This year's wrap-up to the program included outdoor activities enjoyed by the students and tutors, a snack and a slide-show presentation in the library for the volunteers.

"Let's have three cheers for reading and give yourselves all a pat on the back," said Bishop.

Some of the volunteers have been

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**I believe reading opens the door to the world. I came to this school because of this program.**

— *Principal France Meunier*

involved in the program since its inception, said Stuart Baker Elementary School principal France Meunier. Volunteer Ev Stata has been reading with students since the Victoria School days, said Meunier.

"I want to take a moment to thank you for what you are doing," she said.

"I believe reading opens the door to the world. I came to this school because of this program."

Benoit echoed her sentiments.

"I've always been amazed at the level of your commitment and I want to thank you so much for your support," she said to the volunteers.

"If it doesn't continue we will be very upset," said Bishop.

Meunier noted the loss of both Bishop and Benoit made it a difficult year for both the school and the program, but vowed the reading initiative would continue.

"I want to take time to honour you ladies, it won't be the same without you."



**Angelica Blenich** Echo staff

Teachers and coordinators of the reading tutor program at Stuart Baker Elementary School Janice Benoit, left and Nancy Bishop enjoy a good book following the reading tutor celebration on May 18 at the school. They are both retiring from the school and program.



Teacher and coordinator of the reading tutor program at Stuart Baker Elementary School Nancy Bishop hands out treats during the reading tutor celebration



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# points of view

## Only upsides

**T**HERE IS NO DOWNSIDE to Khosrow Eshkour's proposal to locate a pharmacy in Wilberforce.

Either the hamlet ends up with better access to medications and professional health-care advice, or it ends up with all of that plus a couple of doctors.

Whichever it is, Wilberforce and its residents are better for it.

While the obvious benefit is betterment of quality of life for those living near the pharmacy/medical centre, the other upside is that Eshkour's business will make the community more appealing to those thinking about locating to a picturesque, quiet, rural place.

A few years back, when the school board was looking at closing the Wilberforce Elementary School, residents argued passionately that losing the school would destine the town to a slow death.

The school was saved and now Wilberforce has the chance to enhance its community with better health services.

Will Eshkour's business also be able to draw doctors?

It's not impossible, he says, but it will be difficult.

Nearly every town in rural Ontario is lobbying to have doctors relocate

to their community.

Just in this county, Minden, Haliburton and Kinmount (just south of the border) are vying for more health-care professionals.

Eshkour knows all about that – his current business, another pharmacy, is in the medical centre in Kinmount.

But while Kinmount is technically a competitor for doctor recruitment, it is also an inspiration for what a small community can do to provide for itself.

In that hamlet, a building was set aside by the township of Galway-Cavendish and Harvey specifically for a medical centre, even before there was a doctor willing to move in.

They managed to attract Dr. Elena Mihi with the simplest of methods: a doctors wanted sign on the front lawn.

That was 1999.

A few years later another doctor arrived and now the community has medical services that draw patients from across this county and others.

If it happened in Kinmount it could happen in Wilberforce, but even if it doesn't – or doesn't right away – the community will be better for Eshkour's involvement.



**Jenn Watt**  
Editor



**Sunset at Head Lake**

photo by Darren Lum

## Still here

**W**ELL THAT WAS a hell of a lot of nothing. Saturday's supposed Rapture/Doomsday/Apocalypse kind of petered out, didn't it?

I was doing the right thing, spending time with family and friends at my cousin's 50<sup>th</sup> birthday, which meant, if this thing had happened, Richard's birthday was an uncredited sign of the Apocalypse.

In case you hadn't heard, one fairly (you might say) devout American-based celebrity preacher (Harold Camping) was claiming May 21, 2011, as the day of reckoning (I think it's particularly cool how many names there are for this thing, which certainly has to at least help a little in the marketing of the end of the world campaign).

Mr. Camping evidently had also called for the end of the world once before in 1994 but obviously was a little off in his calculations (forgot to carry the one).

Thing is, he had a lot of people believing this and actually hoping for the aforementioned Rapture, which makes me think their lives were either so bad they just wanted the whole thing done with or that they were so morally righteous they simply wanted concrete divine proof to finally (literally) show (smite) their friends or, more accurately, their enemies.

To me, this whole event smacks of arrogance. This man claims to have calculated the time, directly from Biblical text, as if an eternal being would appear strategically right on cue.

In this I know he's terribly wrong. Carbon-based rock stars never appear on stage as scheduled for that matter so methinks a omnipotent creator would likely not answer the first curtain call, or probably the second.

Whoever's in charge of this whole creation idea – I would think – would certainly set his or her own schedule for impressive incidents of this magnitude.

That got me to wondering about what if this man was right. What if the eternal clock was literally winding down?

Here I am wolfing down beef on a bun when maybe my last hours would have been better spent doing something a little more blatantly ethical (I thanked the chef voraciously for the meal if that means anything).

I concluded that, in all, I would stand by my (spotty) record and simply hope for the best.

If nothing else, Heaven might need a court jester and, if that be the case, I certainly hope the being in charge can take a joke.

But alas, nothing happened.

Those poor beings, gathered throngs in various pockets of the world, when all was said and (not) done, opened their eyes to nothing.

Nothing had changed.

Life, as they say, goes on.

Not a bad deal if you ask me (although Harold's reportedly refusing any refunds).



**Charlie Teljeur**  
Thinking Small



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# points of view

## Cold-blooded creatures

I LOVE THE VICTORIA DAY weekend for a lot of reasons. The fireworks are great.

It's nice to see the cottagers back too.

But most of all I love to see the return of cold-blooded creatures.

They were out in full force this weekend.

You saw them crossing the road as you drove. You saw them by the water or heading towards it.



Steve Galea

Loon Tales

It was a spectacular sight to behold. If my own cold-blooded creature – my daughter Carmen – is any indication, they are certainly doing well.

At this point, I suspect a lot of you are probably saying, hold it.

In fact, I bet you are just about to go all naturalist on me too, suggesting that the average pre-teen kid is, in fact, not cold blooded.

Well, if that's the case, it's only because you weren't near any lakes or beaches this weekend.

If you were, you would have seen one of nature's most fascinating occurrences – the migration of the cold-blooded kid.

At this point, biologists are not sure if this is triggered by the phase of the moon, the time of year or an excess of junk food. There's even thought that a sudden shift in air temperature, along with a high level of boredom, signals this incredible mass movement towards water.

It's one of nature's great mysteries.

From our dock, we watched in wonder as Carmen, without any coercion, dares or bribery, took it upon herself to go swimming in water that would have made most polar bears think twice.

It would have been more than enough had she just slipped in, shivered uncontrollably for a bit and then ran out and dried herself off. But that was not the case.

She got in and then swam. And swam. And swam.

Being a good parent, I kept an eye out for icebergs and tried to tell her that, even as she frolicked, extremities were probably turning several interesting shades of blue. For her part, Carm just laughed at me and invited me to come in because the water was warm "as anything."

This was true, if your definition of "anything" encompasses such things as a witch's heart, an arctic breeze, a glacial lake or a walk-in freezer. Otherwise, she was off base by about 20 degrees Celsius.

I'm not sure why kids are able to swim in waters so cold, but I suspect it might have something to do with their nervous system not being hooked up correctly yet.

All I know is that Carm swam, quite ecstatically for at least an hour until, feeling pangs of great guilt, I begged her to come back to dry land.

This she did, but only so that she could spend the next hour or so pleading with me to let her go swimming again. Being a good parent, I completely capitulated.

I happen to know that my kid is not unique, either. Up and down the lake, the same spectacle was being repeated by pre-teens from far and wide.

It was so prevalent in fact, I was thinking that if there was a field guide to humanity, as there is for fish, for example, we'd be able to list the temperature preferences of pre-teens several degrees lower than for those of us with actual physical feelings.

Maybe that would explain a whole lot of other things too. Snowboarding immediately comes to mind.



## pic of the past

This picture, over 75 years old, was sent in by Gren and Donna Shrader.

It depicts the front veranda of the W.H. Drury & Son store on Fox Creek, Gelert.

The name of the girl is unknown, but the dog who lived at the store was named Connie and was known for loving bologna.

If you have a pic of the past you'd like to share, send it in to [editor@haliburtonecho.ca](mailto:editor@haliburtonecho.ca).

## letters to the editor

### Despite ban, Enduro bikes ride Rail Trail

Dear County,

You banned Enduro bikes from the Rail Trail, and prohibited motorized vehicles until June 1. But dozens of them ignored all that and both were on the trail this past Saturday throwing up dust at great speed. And completely ignoring the little driveway stop signs.

Illegal, reckless, and dangerous.  
Your move, County.

Jack Bush  
Gelert Road

### What counts as a holiday with Hydro One?

To the Editor,

To observe Hydro One's business practices as to whether Monday, April 25 was a holiday is conflicted. The understanding of what legally constitutes a holiday came to my attention recently.

On Monday, April 25, the offices of Hydro One had a holiday. They were not open for business, but its customers who are on smart meters did not have a holiday, as we were charged non-holiday pricing.

I inquired of Hydro One through customer service why the customer did not also have a holiday reflected in Hydro One holiday smart meter pricing. I was told only statutory holidays qualify for holiday smart meter pricing.

Hydro One has statutory and non-statutory holidays when its business offices are closed.

When I asked how many more Hydro One non-statutory

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# letters

## Pay up with Hydro One increases

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tory holidays would the customer be paying full smart meter pricing, I was told that was "personal business."

I corrected the agent to remove the referral of "personal," as Hydro One is a business, nothing personal.

If you wish to comment further I was directed to bring this matter to my local MP or MPP.

So, again, while our Hydro One business is on a holiday, we are not.

Monday, April 25 was a non-statutory holiday for Hydro One, not us.

Pay up and up and up as the rates increased May 1.

Cheryl Grigg  
Haliburton

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## U-Links releases year's research

➤ Sixteen projects  
completed for local  
community

Jenn Watt  
Editor

Following months of study and research, the findings of 16 community-based projects out of Trent University have been released to the public.

The papers, ranging in subject matter from environmental stewardship to arena energy savings, can be accessed both online and by request at the U-Links Centre for Community-Based Research office in Minden.

All of the projects are commissioned by local host organizations and this year many of them centre around environmental issues.

Student Hazel Cathcart put together a rural ride share toolkit for Environment Haliburton's Terry Wright.

The result is "a toolkit to establish a formally organized ride sharing program in

Haliburton County," the paper reads, to deal with the lack of public transportation in the large geographic area.

On behalf of Kennis Lake residents, Tyler Vandermolen conducted an analysis of water quality using data collected on the lake over time.

There were two studies done of Windy Pine and the township of Minden Hills had students look into energy savings at the arena, sustainable heating of the arena, the potential of campers on municipal property and a waste management plan for the parks.

Research was also conducted on a "green" pool for the county, the feasibility of off-road vehicle trails in Highlands East, the social determinants of health, lake trout of Kushog Lake and housing.

U-Links has been connecting student researchers with Haliburton County since 1999, though there has been an academic relationship since 1989.

"There are many universities that have outreach-type programs ... based at the university. We're unique in that we're separately incorporated, not-for-profit" and based in a different community, U-Links director Heather Reid said.

Reid oversees much of the research and

helps host organizations connect with students.

The program is currently looking for project proposals for the coming year.

Reid said there's some paperwork involved, but U-Links can help with that.

"I think the hard part is coming up with a specific enough [research] idea. That's what we're here to help with," she said.

There is no cost to having the research done for host organizations, though it is asked that they cover the students' out-of-pocket expenses, such as travel to the county.

U-Links also takes donations, since part of its income must come from the community.

"We're always trying to raise money. We need to raise a third of the budget for this program within the community," Reid said.

The only municipal government to give financial support to U-Links this year was Minden Hills.

To view any of the research done this year, go to [www.ulinks.ca](http://www.ulinks.ca), select "Haliburton County Collection" and then search by topic.

You can also contact the office at 705-286-2411.

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Chyna Schell Special to the Echo

There were 40 dancers from the Haliburton Dance Arts (HDA) competitive team that competed in the Dance Starz and Dance Canada competition.

## Local dancers earn overall awards in recent competition



Dancers from Haliburton Dance Arts (HDA) competitive team competed recently at Dance Starz and Dance Canada.

The 40 competitors did very well winning many high silver, gold and high gold awards.

Overall awards are the highest mark given in the competition and several HDA dancers received one.

Winners of overall awards: open solo – Shaylynn Hutchings, hip-hop solo – Kayla Gardiner, lyrical solo – Tyler Gilligan, jazz solo – Annie Merrifield, jazz duet – Emma Scheffee and Kenndal Marsden, musical theatre duet – Nikki

Reddering and Lauren Devolin, jazz trio – Quinn Schell and Shaylynn Hutchings and Kayla Gardiner.

The girls also won overall for musical theatre, senior jazz group and intermediate lyrical group.

In a couple of weeks the team will be competing again, this time at Bedazzled in Blue Mountain on June 3 to 5.

The annual dance showcase will be May 27 to 28 at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion.

Tickets for the event can be purchased at the Photo Shop in Haliburton.



Far left, a pair of HDA dancers move together; left, a group of dancers hold their pose at the conclusion of a performance at the competition.

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# Senior students salute 2011



The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School collection of Grade 12 students staged the Out With A Bang: A Grade 12 Talent Showcase at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion on Tuesday evening, May 17. Family, friends and peers were the majority of audience members for the prom fundraising event that provided a variety of talents such as dancing, singing, skits, comedy acts and musical performances.



Clockwise, from left, Tom Guigere plays guitar; the "Fun Girls" dance; Taylor Broderick sings his original song called Mine Tonight; Kaily Schell puts her head through a board held by Monica Sullivan and Mikaela Charlebois delivers her poem on remembering the past four years of high school at the Out With A Bang: A Grade 12 Talent Showcase.

Photos by Darren Lum





# Show support and paint the town yellow



Businesses and individuals encouraged to support Relay for Life through decorations

**Jade Fisher**  
Echo Co-op student

With Relay for Life just weeks away, local businesses are decking out in yellow. Like last year, downtown establishments that wish to participate will decorate their storefronts in yellow every-

thing to support the cancer research.

Jim Frost, administrator of the BIA, remembers last year's displays as beautiful and ultimately complementary to the relay.

"The community loved the displays and many stores participated, it was nice to see so much support," Frost says.

Businesses can get involved simply by dressing up their display windows with Relay for Life themed colours. Community members can also support the cause by decorating their lawns or windows; the more yellow the better.

"The idea of public displays during relay was brought up [by Janet Sheehey of JanKnits] during a meeting last year. The purpose of the decorations is to show support and involve our community in a great event," Frost says.

Relay for Life is completely driven by volunteers. All funds raised go to the Canadian Cancer Society. The relay

takes place in more than 20 countries worldwide and has raised about \$3 billion to date. The Cancer Society supports an array of programs available to cancer patients as well as survivors such as cancer prevention programs, treatment and community/patient support programs.

On June 3, the displays will be up for everybody to appreciate. The yellow additions to our main street will make for an appealing surprise to tourists passing through. The turnout for relay this year is expected to be large since more and more passionate participants are joining and volunteering.

"Hopefully we receive as much or more participation than we had last year," Frost says.

Yellow ribbons can be purchased in just about every local shop for a small donation.

## Author takes readers on the historical track to discovery

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

An author is shedding light on a mostly forgotten past of Haliburton County with a new book.

Ron Brown breathes life into a world when the rail and its accompanying stations were the arteries and the hub of communities in Ontario with his new book, *In Search of the Grand Trunk*.

Haliburton is highlighted in a few areas, including the history of the Victoria Railway Line that went through several Haliburton County hamlets between Kinmount and Haliburton in one chapter of the 256-page book, including 55 black-and-white photos.

Brown has always loved the stories behind every road, abandoned rail line and village.

Canada's very existence and way of life is tied to the rail, he explains.

"The railways for a number of years were everything to every community. It was the way people travelled, the way they got their mail. They would go down to the train station to listen to the hockey game, coming in on the news wire," he said. "The railways and the stations were the heart of pretty well every community."

With more than 30 years of experience writing history books, Brown believes his work keeps heritage alive.

"Basically, what I'm trying to do is bring this heritage, a vital heritage, a key part of our heritage, back to people and point out where that heritage still survives," he said, adding in all of his books that include ghost towns he encourages people to appreciate the heritage that "is in their backyard."

Brown appreciates the efforts of locals to preserve the past such as the Rails End Gallery and the maintenance of the locomotive in Haliburton.

As in every book, some of the best stories are the ones left out.

The trestle bridge that (is in the Howe Truss style) spans the Burnt River along the former IB&O railway was origi-

nally destined for China. However when the Cold War attitudes came to the fore that plan was nixed, leaving the bridge available to replace the old one.

Brown is appreciative to the people in the communities he profiles for the help they give him such as the members from the Kinmount Model Railroad Club.

"My work is made easy thanks to folks like that," he said.

A number of factors influenced the demise of the rail as the primary source of transportation and the hub of communities, he said, from the automobile to new government planning that saw the rail as an obsolete form of transport.

His book will be distributed May 28 and is available locally at the Master's Book Store in Haliburton. It can be purchased online at [amazon.ca](http://amazon.ca) and [chapters.indigo.ca](http://chapters.indigo.ca), including ebook purchase through Amazon, Kobo and iBooks.

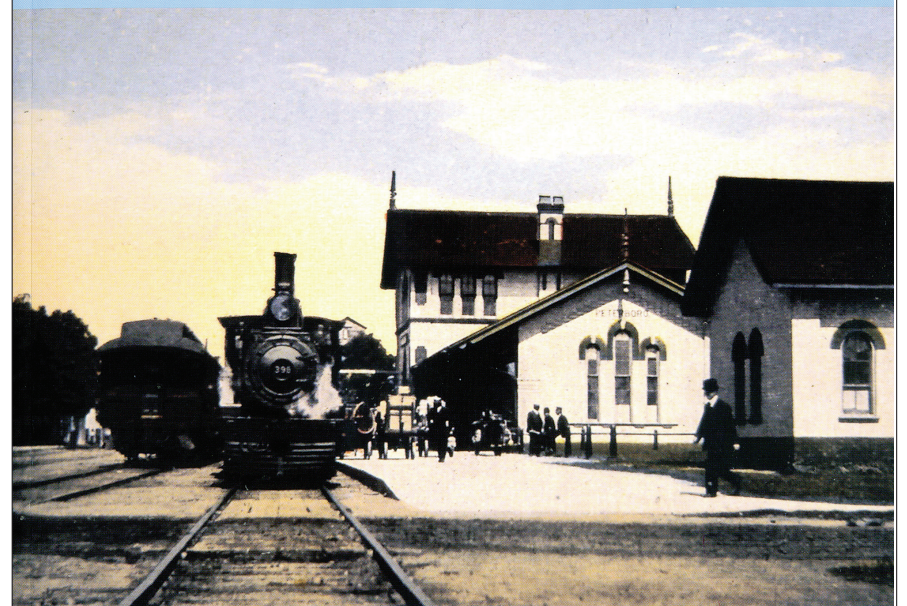
Brown has written 22 books and wrote his first book, *The Original Ghost Towns of Ontario* in 1978.

His next book, which has been partially researched using the web, will be on the history of the western provinces and will examine everything related to the railway, including active and inactive rail, stations, grain elevators and the communities in its proximity.

It is expected to be published next May.

### IN SEARCH OF THE GRAND TRUNK

#### Ghost Rail Lines in Ontario



#### Ron Brown

Canadian author Ron Brown provides a glimpse into life between Kinmount and Haliburton when the train was the lifeblood of Ontario in a new book, *In Search of the Grand Trunk*.

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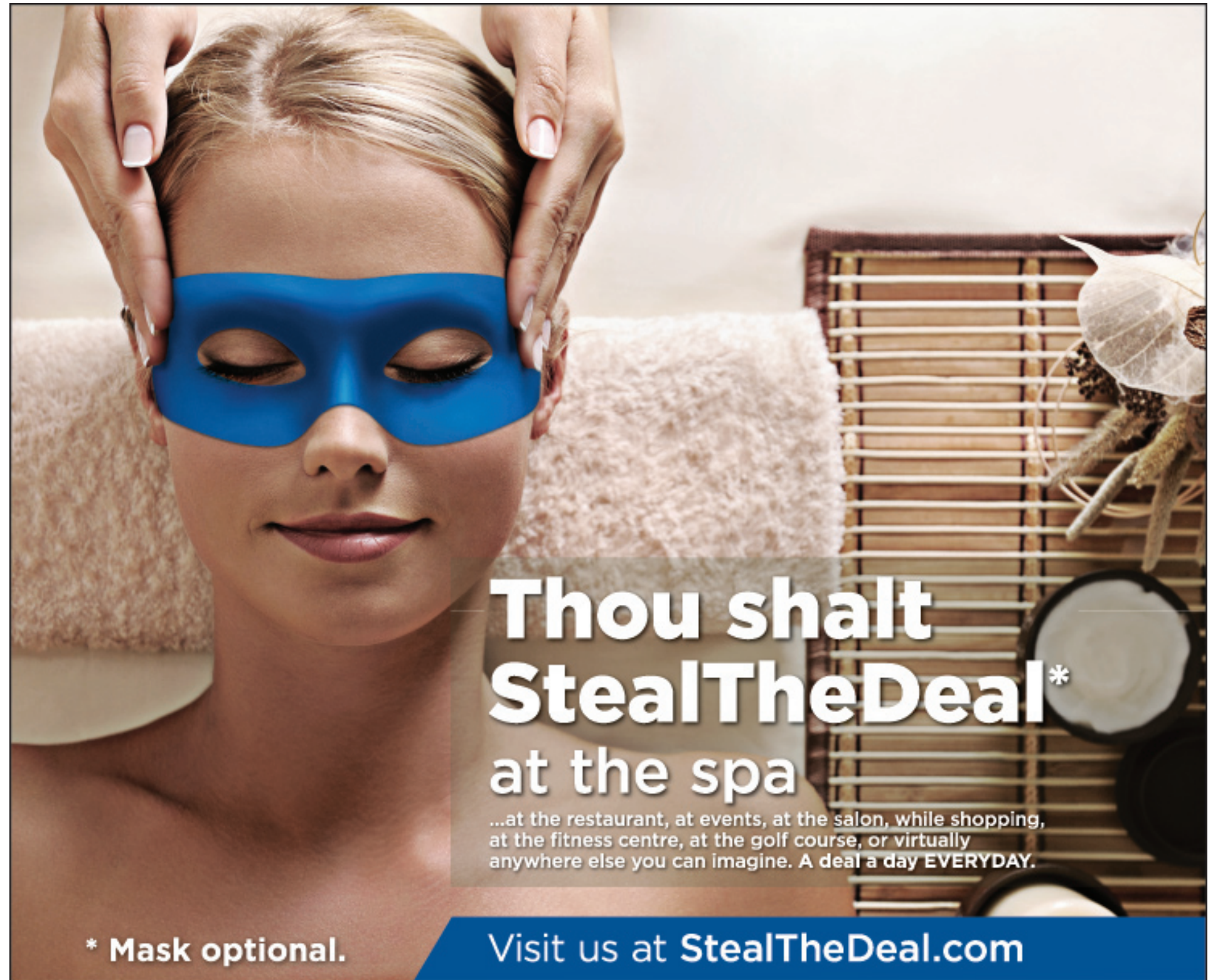
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# Haliburton County news

## Organizations search for volunteers at second annual fair

**Chad Ingram**  
Staff reporter

Sherry Lawson says she's a volunteer for the simple reason that she can be.

Lawson, an executive with Casino Rama who sits on the board of governors for Georgian College and has been named the Orillia Citizen of the Year, was the guest speaker at the second annual Haliburton County Volunteer Fair at the Minden Hills Community Centre on May 14.

"When I think about volunteering, I think about all the things that need to be done," Lawson said.

Her first experience as a volunteer came when she was just a child, helping her mother get Christmas baskets together for people in need.

Volunteerism has become a lifelong passion.

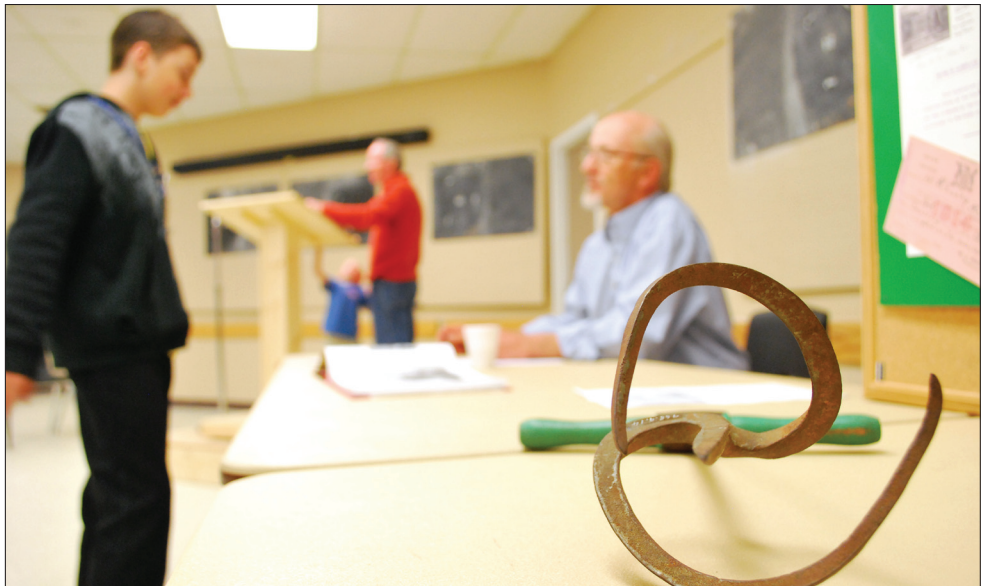
Lawson said the most common excuse people use for not volunteering is that they lack the time; they are too busy with their jobs, their children and their spouses to make room.

"I say, 'I have all those things and I'm still a volunteer,'" she said, in her energetic and humorous speech.

Lawson talked about standing outside of stores like the LCBO, asking for change in fundraisers.

"All these people walking in avert their eyes," she said. "It's like I'm this leper standing there. If you can't give the time . . . then give the change."

She told a heartwarming anecdote about fundraising one day when a disabled man came up to her and gave her a bear hug.



Tim Hagarty of the Haliburton Highlands Museum speaks with an attendee of the second annual Haliburton County Volunteer Fair at the Minden Hills Community Centre on May 14. The tool in the foreground, called a sugar devil, was used in the late 19th century to scrape built-up sugar off the tops of fruit barrels.

Photo by Chad Ingram

Lawson said she'd stood, looking puzzled at a woman she assumed to be the man's mother and that woman told her that the man, who was a Special Olympian, was able to swim thanks to the pool time paid for by the organization she was fundraising for.

"What price do I put on a hug from that stranger?" she asked.

MPP Rick Johnson happened to be at the event and was

invited to the microphone to speak. "For volunteers, I just want to say thank you," Johnson said. "If the volunteers in this province went on strike, the province wouldn't be able to operate."

A number of clubs and organizations had booths set up in the community as they recruited new volunteers from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. According to organizer Roxanne Casey, one in two Ontarians volunteers in some way.

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# Attracting doctor difficult, but not impossible, pharmacist says

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Eshkour.

While there was a significant amount of support for the project from those in attendance, questions regarding the proposed facility were raised.

"How fixed are we at having the medical centre and pharmacy in the same building and in that location?" asked local resident Paul Hazen. "Is there any benefit to building a new building that would accommodate everything?"

Burton said Eshkour is very confident the proposed building would accommodate his wants and needs, with the desired addition of two doctors on site.

Eshkour examined the building and while he said it is run down, he believed it could be renovated into an opera-

tional pharmacy.

According to Eshkour, discussions with Burton began a few years ago when the reeve approached him with the idea of putting a pharmacy in Wilberforce.

After multiple proposals, Eshkour finally agreed to the idea.

"I think a pharmacy will be a stepping stone towards bringing more doctors into the area," said Eshkour. "It really takes a whole community to bring a doctor in. I believe that we can do it but it needs all of our support."

A pharmacy would also help the local economy by employing residents and attracting other businesses, he said.

"My intention is to be here until the day I decide to retire," said Eshkour. "I find it rewarding to work in a small



Angelica Blenich Echo staff

Pharmacist Khosrow Eshkour, left, answers questions from those in attendance at an open house meeting in Wilberforce held at the Lloyd Watson Centre on May 20 about the possibility of opening up a medical centre in town complete with a pharmacy.

community."

The business Eshkour is proposing would not include a franchise-style pharmacy including groceries and other frills, rather it would be a medical-focused establishment.

Eshkour pointed to examples of other small communities, such as Buckhorn, that supported pharmacies by raising significant funds and were able to attract doctors.

Kinmount currently has two doctors and is in the process of recruiting a third, he said.

Gooderham resident Frank Mitzi questioned whether Highlands East would face difficulties in recruiting a doctor and if the municipality should consider employing a registered nurse instead.

"There's no doubt getting a doctor into a small community is a challenge, but it's not impossible," said Eshkour.

The proposed Highlands East pharmacy will not affect the operation of his pharmacy in Kinmount, he said.

Both Eshkour and Burton are confident a strong working relationship can be forged between the pharmacist and the community.

"There will definitely be a strong partnership moving forward," said Burton.

"If we want health services we have to somehow get behind it," said resident Hilda Clark.

"If we look at our history with the Red Cross Outpost we've come full circle. I think we need doctors, can raise the money and can get this going," said another resident, Kathy Rogers.

The next step to converting the building into a pharmacy would be to classify the facility as a surplus building, according to municipal solicitor John Ewart.

"Council has made no decision obviously in respect to this building but it will be the subject of consideration at the next regular meeting of council," he said.

According to Ewart, once the municipality declares the building surplus, council can entertain purchases of sale of the property.

Originally built in the 1950s as a dairy, the building was owned and operated by Ken Sanderson.

Born on Wilbermere Lake, Sanderson, 87, turned the building over to the municipality in the 1980s.

He supports the idea of turning it into a pharmacy as long as it continues to serve the community he has called home his entire life.

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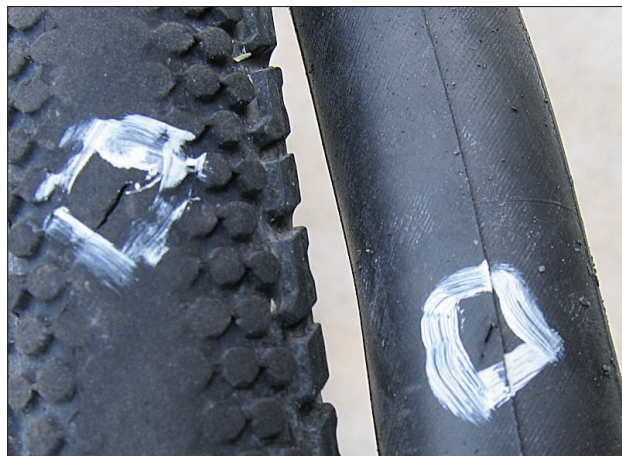
**Blake Paton**  
Special to the Echo

*This is the first in a series of articles called Shifting Gears on getting your bicycle on the road this summer in the Highlands.*

Your bicycle can be your best friend. But if you're stranded in buggy weather by the roadside because you neglect it, then your bike will seem like an enemy. Before setting out this spring, take a few moments to check it over to see that it is running well. All you need are some basic tools, lubes, cleaners, rags and know-how.

A quick inspection and maintenance session includes the following:

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- check the tire tread for cracks, wear and embedded debris that could cause a flat
- check all cables and housings for fraying, breaks, rust and corrosion and replace those that are showing wear or corrosion
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Thoroughly check your tires for punctures (above) or other cracks and debris that could leave you stranded at the side of the road.



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- check to see that the brake pads are in good condition and that they strike the rims (not the tires!)
- compress and release the suspension to check that it's working properly
- check chain, wipe off the grime, add lube – and then wipe off the excess
- bounce the bike by dropping it from about five to 10 centimetres from the floor and investigate any odd rattles or clunks you hear. If you're unsure about any noise, have it checked by an experienced bike mechanic.

Remember, these are general service guidelines for road and mountain bikes. Bicycles ridden off-road typically require more frequent and extensive service than

road models. If your bike is heavily used, abused or has been crashed, take it in for a thorough check and service to ensure that it's running properly.

In years past it was a point of pride for a cyclist to maintain his or her own machine. In recent years the complexity of suspension and shifting systems has discouraged some cyclists from maintaining their own equipment.

If you care to learn, there are many free resources to help you with maintenance available through your library. On the web try starting at [www.parktool.com](http://www.parktool.com). Keep it clean, keep it lubed, keep it inflated. Happy cycling!

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# Haliburton fire rangers help in Slave Lake

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

A team of 85 forest firefighters from Ontario was sent to Slave Lake, Alta., on May 17 to assist in a forest fire that erupted on May 15.

Of those sent, four of the firefighters were from Haliburton.

According to media reports, wildfires have swept through the town of Slave Lake and destroyed multiple buildings, including the town hall and a government centre. Residents have been left without homes after being forced to leave the area.

According to Lindsay Munroe, fire information officer for the Ministry of Natural Resources, the firefighters that were sent could be stationed in Alberta for up to 19 days. At this point it is unclear how long they will be required to stay, she said.

"Likely Alberta made a request through CIFFC, the Canadian Interagency Forest Fire Centre. So whoever was willing and able to send crews probably did. From my knowledge that happened to be Ontario and British Columbia," said Munroe.

In Ontario crews were sent from Haliburton, Timmins, Pembroke, Thunder Bay, Cochrane, Wawa, Sault Ste. Marie, Chapleau, Kirkland Lake, Sudbury, North Bay, Dryden, Fort Frances, Kenora and Sioux Lookout.

Upon arrival in Alberta, the fire rangers are sent to a base before being dispersed to the area surrounding Slave Lake, 250 kilometres northwest of Edmonton.

"Once they get there they will be assigned their duties and will likely be put right onto a fire line," said Munroe. "I know they have quite a few other fires burning in the province as well."

Those looking for more information on forest fires can do so at [www.ontario.ca/forestfire](http://www.ontario.ca/forestfire).



**Deya Ajaleh** QMI Agency

The forest fire and smoke approaches Slave Lake, Alta., on Sunday, May 15. Haliburton has sent fire rangers to help with the effort.



## Grade 3s build communities

Grade 3 students in Mme Zahab's French immersion class at Stuart Baker Elementary School smile with satisfaction at the completion of a social studies project that required them to build a rural and urban community out of recycled material, on display behind the students on May 18.

The project was made possible with the help of donated tiles from local businesses. The tiles were donated by Home Hardware in Minden, Tim-br Mart and Cordell Carpet in Haliburton. **Angelica Blenich** Echo staff

## INSPECTION

### Public Notice

### Approved 2011–2012 Annual Work Schedule Bancroft Minden Forest

#### Public Inspection of Annual Work Schedule

The Bancroft Office of the Ontario **Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR)** has reviewed and approved the **Bancroft Minden Forest Company Inc. (BMFC)** April 1, 2011–March 31, 2012 Annual Work Schedule (AWS) for the **Bancroft Minden Forest**.

#### Availability

The AWS will be available for public inspection at the BMFC and on the MNR public website at [ontario.ca/forestplans](http://ontario.ca/forestplans) beginning May 25, 2011 and throughout the one-year duration. Ontario Government Information Centres at Bancroft and Minden provide access to the internet.

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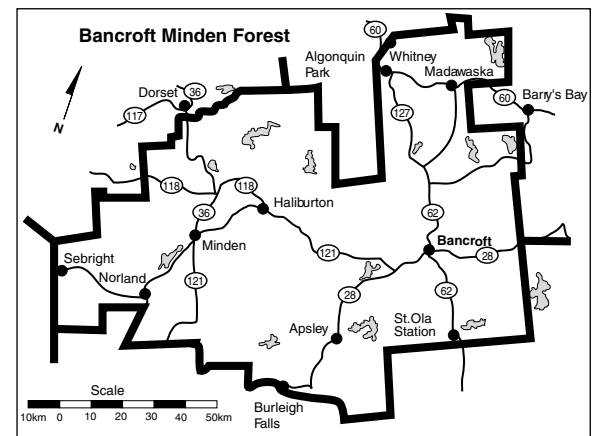
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# Kindergarten night welcomes young smiles

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

It was a night of new beginnings as children soon to be students at Stuart Baker Elementary School got used to their new surroundings on May 19 during kindergarten night.

There was nary a sign of nervous jitters amongst the faces of the children preparing to enter junior kindergarten this September.

The annual orientation event allows kids to get comfortable with their new school and adapt to the surroundings.

This September more than 50 new students will enter the school in either junior or senior kindergarten.

"Welcome. We're so glad you came to our school," said kindergarten teacher Allison Perecko.

Perecko discussed some important tips to help prepare the families for kindergarten, such as what to pack in a backpack and what to expect on the first day of school.

During the orientation, children and their parents visited the different classrooms, became familiar with the library and climbed aboard a school bus.



**Angelica Blenich** Echo staff

Callum Conrad and his dad share a moment with a book during kindergarten welcome night at Stuart Baker Elementary School on May 19.

The event welcomes children enrolled in kindergarten in September and allows parents and their kids to orient themselves to the school and their soon-to-be new classrooms.

Left, Erika Hoare, right, gets a helping hand from mom Vicki onto the school bus during kindergarten welcome night. The event allowed many first time bus riders a chance to get a feel for their new method of transportation.



## Local Girl Guides attend Canadian Camp

The annual Girl Guide spring camp has some 750 members of guiding filled with anticipation. This years theme will be "Canada, eh".

Camping will begin Friday evening. The official opening occurs on Saturday morning and is followed by over 40 activities.

Saturday will incorporate several aspects of Canadian culture.

Girls will have the opportunity to climb Mt. Logan in the Yukon, experience fish races, enter an igloo, lie down and rest in a tee-pee, or try to ride a wild bucking bronco at the stampede.

The girls could try some local crafts, some old time games and great food from around the regions.

Painting in the park is always a peaceful way to relax, but these girls have no time to relax, they have to finish the amazing race, cook bannock, and try to for our own Emily's Got Talent.

On Saturday night, the unity of girls is celebrated in our huge campfire.

Our service project this year takes a northern turn. We will be collecting

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# Workshop to warn seniors of scams

Jenn Watt  
Editor

The call usually comes late at night. Your grandson is in trouble. He's stuck at the border and needs money.

For those unaware of the grandma/grandpa phone scam, the natural thing would be to help a family member in trouble by wiring money.

It's one of many traps designed specifically for the senior population and is the reason the elder abuse network is holding a seminar on frauds and scams Thursday, May 26.

"I wouldn't say we see lots [of scams], but we do see some," said Constable Mark McMaster of the Haliburton detachment of the OPP.

McMaster will be presenting the seminar on scams alongside Susanne Cooper from the Community Legal Clinic, who is speaking on powers of attorney.

The take-home message from Thursday's event will be to develop a strong skepticism of unsolicited phone calls or

emails.

"If it seems too good to be true, it is," McMaster said.

Under the umbrella of the Haliburton Kawartha Lakes Elder Abuse Prevention Network, the seniors seminars are specifically targeting issues that impact that segment of the population.

"People are ashamed, embarrassed, intimidated to call the police," Karen Anderson, coordinator of the network, said.

The purpose of the seminar is to eliminate that embarrassment so that those perpetrating the crime can be held accountable and the community can be alerted.

"If we have six calls here then obviously [the scammers] are going through our area right now," McMaster said.

Common frauds and techniques to avoid becoming a victim will be discussed.

The elder abuse network offers assistance to seniors, their family, caregivers and friends in dealing with abuse, through home visits, accompaniment to appointments with the police and information packages.

Twenty-nine per cent of calls received by the network

come from Haliburton County, which has a population of seniors well over the provincial average.

Anderson says that of those who abuse seniors, 49 per cent are adult children.

"There's a generation that feels entitlement to Mom and Dad's money," she said.

"Abuse comes from need plus opportunity."

Abuse is not always physical; it can include financial, emotional and neglect.

The seniors seminars, titled Creating A Safer Future for Seniors, are being held in both Minden and Haliburton on Thursday, May 26.

In Minden, the seminar runs from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at Stanworth Apartments in the lounge area, 44 Parkside St.

In Haliburton, the seminar is from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at Parklane Apartments in the lounge, 1 Victoria St.

There will be light refreshments and community displays at both events.

For more information, call Karen Anderson at 1-800-461-0327 or email [kanderson@community-care.on.ca](mailto:kanderson@community-care.on.ca).



## Ribbon and blues raises funds

Several members of Team Northern Lights take a minute with blues band Keith Rich & the Po' Boys before kicking off the Ribbon & Blues fundraising event at McKecks on May 21. Pink merchandise, cupcakes and no cover charge helped the team of 12 raise more than \$1,000 for Princess Margaret Hospital's Weekend to End Breast Cancer. Team Northern Lights has pledged to raise \$25,000 before the Sept. 11-12 60-kilometre walk in Toronto, and will be busy fundraising throughout the summer in order to reach their goal.

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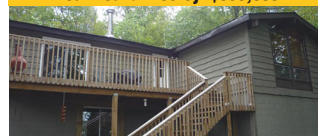
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# Sports



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Red Hawks captain Bailey Walker, who scored the lone goal in the 2-1 loss, braces to take a shot in the Kawartha finals.

## Red Hawks future bright despite loss

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

A narrow defeat for the Red Hawks junior girls' soccer team is leaving optimism for the future of the school's program.

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School were hosts to the Kawartha Championships and were not able to proceed past the opening round, losing 2-1 to St. Mary's Secondary School on Friday morning, May 20.

Coach Judi Paul was proud of her team and believed they held their own against a formidable opponent.

"There was nothing more you can ask of the girls," she said. "They all played well."

Paul thought her team performed admirably considering the team they played had 10 players that play for the Northumberland soccer rep team.

This finish far surpasses their last season when they failed to make the playoffs.

Red Hawks captain Bailey Walker had the lone goal for the team in the losing cause.

Goalkeeper Kirsty Cook's alert and strong play helped to keep the game close.

The other captain for the Red Hawks this season was speedy forward Kayla Gardiner, who was a mid-season call-up to the senior squad.

Although the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School team lost, there is a lot to look forward to next season.

All of the players are expected to be eligible to play for the senior team with the exception of two players.

## Legion track meet showcases athletic pursuit

Throngs of student athletes competed in the annual Legion Track Meet hosted in Haliburton on Saturday, May 14.

### Results

#### Tyke Girls

Finalist- Lexie Bridgeman - SBES  
Champion - Mikayla O'Neill - SBES

#### Tyke Boys

Finalist - Desi Davies - Cardiff  
Champion - Alex Little - ASES

#### Atom Girls

Finalist- Aaliyah Imasuen - JDH  
Champion - Shelby Nimigon - JDH

#### Atom Boys

Finalist- Isaac Little - SBES  
Champion - Shawn Walker - ASES

#### Bantam Girls

Finalist - Allie Paul - JDH  
Champion - Brittany Imasuen JDH  
-Emma Scheffee JDH

#### Bantam Boys

Finalist - Zac Shantz JDH

- Kyle Cooper JDH

Champion - Alec Stoughton JDH

#### Midget Girls

Finalist - Connor Marsden JDH  
- Kristen McKee JDH  
Champion - Sierra Hurley JDH

#### Midget Boys

Finalist - Mac Rider ASES  
- Devon Upton JDH  
- Matt O'Reilly JDH  
Champion - Matt Hunter JDH  
- Javier Palma ASES

# Hicks breaks COSSA track record

The Haliburton Highlands Secondary School track team finished second out of a field of 37 schools at the Central Ontario Secondary School Athletics finals on Thursday, May 19.

Haliburton was led by Charlene Hicks's (who is coached by Brett Caputo) COSSA triple-jump record of 10.22 m, surpassing the previous record of 10.21 m set the same day.

The team finished with 19 top-two places.

Twenty-three Red Hawks earned a berth to the East Regional Championships in Ottawa next week.

The top four from each event there advance to the Ontario Federation of School Athletic Associations finals in Sudbury on June 3.

*-with files from Bruce Griffith*

#### Midgets:

Jessie Burke 5th discus  
Matt Lauricella 5th 100M, 4x100 relay 4th  
Charlene Hicks 200M 3rd, sprint hurdles 1st, triple jump 1st with a new  
COSSA record of 10.22M  
Tom Paul 400M 2nd, sprint hurdles 5th, distance hurdles 2nd, 4x100 relay 4th  
Del Myers pole vault 2nd  
Chris Hall long jump 1st, 4x100 relay 4th  
Julia Fedeski shotput 3rd, discus 1st, javelin 1st  
Zack Alyswoth discus 4th  
Preston Roberts 4x100 relay 4th

#### Juniors:

Ali Hicks 200M 2nd, sprint hurdles 2nd, distance hurdles 1st, 4x100 relay 2nd

Bri Hicks sprint hurdles 1st, distance hurdles 2nd, 4x100 relay 2nd  
Sandy Griffith triple jump 5th, javelin 4th, 4x100 relay 2nd  
Sarah Comer 4x100 relay 2nd

#### Seniors:

Drew Paul sprint hurdles 2nd  
Tessa Iles pole-vault 2nd  
Carly Shaw pole-vault 4th  
Zane Zondervan pole-vault 4th, discus 4th  
Jesse Lefevbre long-jump 4th, triple-jump 2nd  
Nick Freeman shotput 4th  
Samantha Tallman discus 3rd  
Tiffany vanLieshout discus 5th  
Andrew Murray javelin 4th  
The coaching staff includes Bruce Griffith, Brett Caputo and Ryan Merritt.







# Haliburton hamlets host summer game matches

**Jade Fisher**  
Co-op student reporter

The Senior Summer Games have started for our District 11 competitors.

The Ontario Senior Games Association-founded event allows individuals age 55 and older to participate in an array of games and activities arranged by local volunteers.

The games are not only a chance to have fun; they are also beneficial to a person's well being.

The games will be held in District 11 loca-

tions such as Stanhope, Cardiff, Kinmount, Haliburton and Gravenhurst.

Coordinating the event this year is Peter O'Connor who is excited to participate himself.

"The guys that I play hockey with participate in the games and they told me how fun it was, so I became the coordinator," O'Connor says.

From competitive bridge, euchre and crib to swimming golf and tennis there are a wide variety of events. New to the games this year is pickleball. Pickleball is a cross between tennis, badminton and ping-pong. This wild mix is played on half of a court

and is a lot less strenuous than the three games it was created from.

Pickleball came from a small town in Washington called Bainbridge when a family had to solve a fairly common problem: boredom.

The sport is played with a wiffle-type ball, a ping-pong style paddle and is a quickly becoming a global fad.

"The whole purpose of the event is to have fun and get a lot of seniors out and active, for sports they're active physically and for card games they're active mentally," says O'Connor regarding the benefits of senior activities.

Membership is growing. "There are photographs from years in the past showing familiar faces you will still see at the games today, we can't wait to see the new generations join," O'Connor says.

The OSGA's mission is to increase social interaction, physical and mental health through fun, recreational sports and activities.

More folks are catching on to the real benefits of active living and realizing that it makes a difference.

Those older than 55 are encouraged to participate in, or volunteer for, the games.

## Sharpley Open returns to Head Lake, bringing best and brightest

➤ Event promises opportunities for wake competitors and spectators alike

**Darren Lum**  
Staff reporter

Head Lake is welcoming the best wake competitors from across the province for the upcoming Ontario Provincial Championships this coming summer.

After a few years of hiatus, the Sharpley Source for Sports Open has returned with a two-day event that includes the provincial championships held on Head Lake on Aug. 20 and Aug. 21.

This is the last stop in the Roots Wakeboard/Wakeskate series that includes Newmarket and Huntsville. It is an official series with Waterski-Wakeboard Ontario.

Glen Sharpley, owner of the Sharpley Source for Sports, said he has been a sponsor of such events like Rock the Wake for the past several years in Haliburton and didn't hesitate when organizers of the series asked for his sponsorship.

"It's pretty positive that it is back in town. They approached me to get involved. I was more than happy to. It's good for the town. It's good for the kids," he said. "Even though it's the provincials there is a targeted focus on the younger rider."

There is a broad spectrum of competitors who will compete at the event and it includes a 12-and-under newbie category for participants interested in trying the sport all the way up to the pro division.

Organizers expect close to 100 competitors - men and women of all ages and skill levels - including 100 riders for the demo day that will include the 2011 lineup of

Hyperlite, Ronix, Byerly, Liquid Force and O'Brien wakeboards.

Sharpley said Head Lake is a great venue with the ideal conditions suitable for wake riders and spectators, being centrally located and its proximity to the roadway.

This event will showcase the best wakeboarders and wakeskaters across the province duking it out starting with competitors on Saturday and a demonstration on Sunday.


The event will start at 8 a.m. and run until 7 p.m.

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The special demonstration event is open to everyone and it's hosted by District 11 (Haliburton/Muskoka), on behalf of the Ontario Senior Games Association. .

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# Red Hawks track team COSSA runners up

*The following are sport briefs compiled by Judi Paul's class at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School for the week ending May 20.*

## Friday, May 13

The varsity boys' rugby team was defeated by a large senior team from Thomas A. Stewart Secondary School.

## Saturday, May 14

The junior girls' soccer team participated in a Bracebridge tournament where they played well and allowed only two goals over the whole day. Goals were scored by Kate Denniston and Kayla Gardiner.

## Monday, May 16

The junior girls' soccer team defeated Brock by a score of 1-0 to become the Kawartha West Champions. Goal by Shay-Lynn Hutchings and shutout by Kirsty Cook.

## Tuesday, May 17

The varsity boys' rugby team enjoyed a well-deserved win over the Kenner Rams with a final score of 7-0. Try by Josh Dennys and conversion from Greg Baumgartner.

## Thursday, May 19

The Red Hawks' track team finished second overall at COSSA, with 22 athletes qualifying for the East Regionals and came home with 19 medals. Athletes of the day were Julia Fedeski and Charlene Hicks with two firsts and one third each. Charlene Hicks broke the Midget girls' triple jump COSSA record.



## Red Hawks run

A Red Hawks varsity rugby player looks to evade defenders out on the flat during the last game of the season against the visiting Kenner Collegiate Vocational Institute Rams on Tuesday, May 17. Haliburton won 7-0 and advanced into the playoffs.

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# \$4,000 fine for illegal hunting licences

A British Columbia resident has been fined a total of \$4,000 for offences related to the purchase, possession and use of illegal hunting licences.

Alan Kostiuk of Vancouver, formerly of Toronto, pleaded guilty to three separate charges of using a resident Outdoors Card when he was no longer eligible. He was also convicted of possessing a void licence and hunting deer without a valid licence in 2010. He was fined a total of \$4,000 for these offences.

He was caught just south of the Haliburton County boundary line.

The court heard that Kostiuk moved to British Columbia in 2001, but maintained his Outdoors Card with a false Ontario address. Over the 10-year period after he left Ontario, he illegally obtained a total of 22 Ontario resident hunting licences using the Outdoors Card. The charges related to

obtaining illegal deer licences in 2008, 2009 and 2010.

Justice of the Peace Jason Mariasine heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice, Peterborough, on May 12.

To qualify for an Ontario resident Outdoors Card, your primary residence must be in Ontario, and you must have resided in the province for at least six consecutive months in the 12 months before you applied for the card. Non-residents pay higher fees for hunting licences than residents. The fees provide additional funds to help ensure the sustainability of wildlife populations in Ontario.

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# Health Unit reminds local businesses to beware of fake public health inspectors

A scam in which people are posing as public health inspectors has resurfaced in the area, local health officials warn.

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit is urging caution in the wake of at least three cases in which individuals tried to pass themselves off as inspectors with the health unit.

These incidents are recent, and are very similar to a problem that first appeared in the area in June 2010.

"This is fraud, pure and simple, and we encourage local residents and business owners not to be fooled by these phony inspectors," says Anne Alexander, director of environmental health with the HKPR District Health Unit. "If you get contacted by a fake health inspector, notify the police immediately."

In two of the three incidents, local restaurant owners were contacted by phone late in the evening by people claiming to be health unit inspectors. These fake inspectors wanted to schedule inspections of the businesses.

The restaurant owners were advised that they would receive a follow-up call with a confirmation number. The fake inspectors would then call back the owners to ask them to confirm this number.

In a third case, someone impersonating a public health inspector was seen at a special event asking for information. Each of the individuals contacted by the

fake inspectors became suspicious, and reported the incidents to the health unit and local police.

While these incidents have so far only taken place in the City of Kawartha Lakes, Alexander urges all business owners and residents in the health unit's jurisdiction, including Haliburton County, to be watchful. "We do not conduct business this way," Alexander says.

The health unit reminds restaurant operators and business owners that:

- Public health inspectors will not call a business to book an appointment. Neither will inspectors issue an inspection number or require businesses to call back to confirm appointments.

- Public health inspectors will not ask for personal or financial information about the business or the owner.

- All inspectors with the HKPR District Health Unit carry photo identification and business cards.

If business owners encounter a public health inspector they have not met before or they are unsure of their identity, they should ask for proper identification or contact their local health unit office to verify the person's name and employment. "Impersonating a public health inspector is a criminal offence, so we encourage people to report these incidents to us and to their local police service," Alexander adds.



## MACA cleans area roads

Members of the Miskwabi Area Cottagers' Association (MACA) held their annual clean-up of their area roads on Sunday of the long weekend.

They collected 28 large bags of garbage and four large bags of recyclables, ABS piping, a rusted out muffler, a half oak barrel and a kitchen faucet (no sink this year!).

Our thanks to the following dedicated MACA members: Mike Giza, Andrew Fraser, Virginia Vranckx, Nancy and Dave Luke, Pam and John Butt, Sandra Bishop and our Mascot, Roxy!, Paul Saberton, Joseph Dobransky, Kelly and Shirley Mitchell, Tim Payment, Lorrie Giza, Patricia, Mitchell and Rachel Devyeni, Donna, Cameron and Connor Stevens and Nancy and Larry Holden. /Photo submitted





## For a healthier future

Beth O'Connor of RBC Dominion Securities, right, presents Nancy Brownsberger of SIRCH Community Services with a donation in the amount of \$2,500 on May 20, 2011 in Haliburton. The funding, which was secured by SIRCH volunteer Sandre Daoust, will be put towards the healthy children program. Photo by Angelica Blenich

# Confidential well testing available

Having access to a clean and reliable source of water is a top priority for rural home and cottage owners. Unlike those who live in urban centres, people residing in rural areas must depend on a well for their water, and that water must be of the best quality possible.

Peterborough Green-Up is pleased to announce that the organization will again be offering the Well Aware Program in the Haliburton and Bancroft regions for 2011. Rural homeowners and cottagers are being offered a chance to have a confidential and non-regulatory well check-up conducted by a certified guide.

"During the visit, the well guide will show property owners how to identify and address potential risks to their water supply," said Corinne Harris, Well Aware program coordinator. "The guide will demonstrate how to perform routine checkups and maintenance on wells, provide information on upgrades, water testing and septic care."

A Well Aware visit is a great one-on-one opportunity for well owners to raise specific questions and concerns they may have about the quality of their water. Following the visit, the homeowner is mailed a detailed report containing recommendations for their specific well and property. This report is intended solely for the well owner and is not shared with anyone. There is no obligation to implement any of the recommendations.

Due to there being a limited number of bookings available this year, visits are on a first come, first served basis.

For more information or to book a visit, area residents and cottage owners can call Corinne Harris at Peterborough Green-Up at 1-888-745-3238 x 208 or email [water@greenup.on.ca](mailto:water@greenup.on.ca). More information on the Well Aware program can be found at [www.wellaware.ca](http://www.wellaware.ca).

# Cottage Dreams to hold Toronto fundraiser

After a long, hard struggle with cancer, survivors are often left physically exhausted, emotionally drained, and financially depleted. Cottage Dreams Cancer Recovery Initiative, a registered charity, creates an impressive partnership between empty cottages and recent cancer survivors.

When cottage owners are in the city working, there are thousands of cottages sitting empty during the work week and with thousands of Ontarians being diagnosed with cancer each year, Cottage Dreams offers recent cancer survivors time away at a private, donated cottage to recover, reconnect and rebuild their lives in a natural setting.

To support this unique program, the second annual Mosquitos & Mojitos Cottage Party will take place on Thursday, June 9 at Steam Whistle Brewery Roundhouse from 6:30 p.m. to midnight. It's the only cottage-themed party in Toronto and is known as the gateway to summer event celebrating everything you love about being at the cottage.

For \$35 per person, you will enter a "Cottage in the City" featuring:

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- an outdoor bonfire and Muskoka chair seating area
- an Xbox Kinect gaming district featuring summer activities like water-skiing and beach volleyball
- \$5 drinks
- a cottage themed silent auction with dancing and drinks under the stars

"Toronto is lakeside, everyone loves cottaging and the forecast is for a hot summer, so we are getting a jump on creating the cottage spirit right here in the city," says Cottage Dreams founder Seana O'Neill. "And we are raising funds to host over 400 cancer survivors and their families in a donated cottage this year. It's a win-win for everyone!"

Last year's event was a sell-out with 400 partiers and

this year an additional 100 tickets are available to meet the demand. There is a silent auction that will make cottagers and non-cottagers happy.

There are cottage rental weeks, trips to NYC and Mexico, docks, Muskoka golf, a pig roast for 50, hand painted Muskoka chairs and even a totem pole as well as urban weekend fun with Toronto Football Club (TFC) tickets and a Royal York hotel stay.

Please visit [www.cottagedreams.org](http://www.cottagedreams.org) for more information.



## The Workforce Development Board will conduct their Annual General Meeting

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at The Venue

286 George St. N., Peterborough

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# Students' philanthropy starts at home

Darren Lum  
Staff reporter

It was nothing but smiles and giddiness when they delivered the news over the phone.

The entire Grade 10 Haliburton Highlands Secondary School population was in the audience when their peers Jessica Duchene, sisters, Ali and Brigitta Hicks and Jessica Bishop presented their winning proposal for the Minden Food Bank in the Youth and Philanthropy Initiative (YPI) program, which awards \$5,000 to a student group that has the best presentation, at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion on Tuesday morning, May 17.

The YPI program encourages Grade 9 and 10 students all over the province to learn about local charities, regarding their importance and function within the community and empowers students to advocate for a chosen charity.

Minutes after the girls won they wanted to be the first to tell the Minden Food Bank chairperson Barbara Walford-Davis about the good news.

Walford-Davis was ecstatic for them and gave them credit for their hard work when she was told by phone from the school's office.

Walford-Davis said this money will be a great help and added the food bank usage has increased. The food bank does more than provide food as it assists financially with the school and Community Care, she said.

YPI is part of an umbrella of philanthropy programs funded by the Toskan Casele Foundation, which was started by founders of MAC Cosmetics Julie Toskan-Casale, brother Frank and husband Victor in 2001.

There were five groups out of close to 65 presentations selected to present on Tuesday. The presentations came from nine Grade 10 classes on the nine registered local area charities including Community Living Haliburton County and Places for People Haliburton County.

This foursome of French immersion students, who also presented earlier in French, believed this charity needed the money the most.

Even before they started they combed through the list



Darren Lum Echo staff

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Grade 10 students, who advocated for local registered charities, competed for \$5,000 in the Youth and Philanthropy Initiative in Haliburton on Tuesday, May 17. The Minden Food Bank, represented by Jessica Duchene, Ali Hicks, Jessica Bishop and Brigitta Hicks, was the recipient of the money.

of past presentations to learn the Minden Food Bank had never been chosen as a topic for YPI.

Foundation representative Sara Porisky, who has been to 50 schools, said she was impressed by the presentations and had never seen a student audience give a standing ovation before. She called the students "true advocates."

There was a variety of presentations from skits and raps to Power Point presentations at the school.

The judging panel awarded the money to the group that demonstrated the greatest need.

It consisted of five former winners and two runners-up from last year, including one teacher.

This is the third year the school has participated and anticipates participation next year.

There was no charge to participants who completed presentations as part of their civics education.

All of the winning students and a charity representative are now invited to attend the May gala, complete with red carpet, celebrity MC and live entertainment during the day in Toronto on May 26.

It celebrates and honours the efforts of all of the winning students in the province.

Based in Toronto, YPI has enabled the donation of \$1.2 million to charities annually since it started in 2002.

## Career & Business Opportunities

## The wonders of an amazing mother

*This poem was submitted to the paper, written about regular poem contributor, Ev Stata.*

Mother What!!! 88

I can't believe my mother is celebrating her number 88  
I would like to say a few things about my mother  
besides, I know she's great.

She is so busy I have to make an appointment to see her.  
She renewed her driver's license, heaven help the locals.  
The newspaper hasn't gotten tired of publishing her poems.

Her poems are in great demand, people are dying to be in them.

Crosswords are something mother completes not something she says.

Has a crush on Charley Farquson, thinks he's a spiffy dresser.

She is picking up her feet better at line dancing.

She hasn't broken any bones for a year or so.

It's bizarre how many bazaars she bakes for.

If it weren't for bazaars she wouldn't need a kitchen.

Next to walking, eating out is her favorite sport.

They have a table with her name on it at the Kosy.

Mother's typical grocery order is a box of tea, piecrust and raisins.

The only dishes she needs at home is a cereal bowl and spoon.

She can walk into Canoe FM and become a radio celebrity.

She is the most famous Stata in all West Guilford, got a trophy for being old.

She was a serious contender at the Ontario Senior games.  
She would have done better, but she spent too much time waving to her fans.

Spends more time at church than the minister.

She is the official hugger, don't get too near her.

She still goes to school, finally moved up a grade.

Thanks to mom there might be a kid or two in Haliburton that can read.

She knows how to milk money out of her fellow apartment dwellers.

She has to gamble and play cards several times a week.

Thanks to long winters, she has worn a path down the apartment halls.


She is still by far, the most popular street walker in Haliburton.

According to mom we're related to everyone in Haliburton County.

It must be true, every person she meets says hello Auntie Ev.

I say, if every mother in the world was like mine, wouldn't it be a wonderful place.

Your son, Dick



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# Achooooo! don'tcha know

Maybelle's



**Fireside stories**

Now you know ol' Maybelle isn't one to complain. Why most of the time I sit on what I'm really thinkin' so hard my bottom goes numb. But sure as black flies are waiting to eat me... those days are OVER! Maybelle has HAD it! The hair on THIS ol' camel's back just BROKE!

Achooooo! You hear that? Achooooo! Why I am so SICK of being SICK and so is everybody else here in

Lake WhaddyathinkI mean. Why you won't find one body that isn't hacking and sneezing...or freezing and aching...or just starting to feel human again after four awful WEEKS!

Why Beanpole Starkman coughed so hard he broke HIS rib and the guy's sitting behind him.

This McNasty McVirus has Lake W running on empty. Why folks are moving like molasses. They don't talk, they moan. They don't walk, they crawl. And half of them are under 50! Why having the energy of a gnat is GNAT NICE!

Achooooo!

Vilma Yucch called me sounding like Leonard Cohen. That's how low her voice got. At least she had SOME voice. The day before, she sounded like wind. And her poor throat. Why it was burning so bad, the Lake W fire brigade had to run over and put it out.

Now what really makes my blood boil? Everybody's SICK because nobody's staying HOME!

Kids are going to school and sneezing all over other kids, teachers, bus drivers, coaches. You name it, if you're within 10 feet of them, you're a petri dish.

Even waitresses and other service folks are going to work and sneezing all over dishes and fishes, cutlery and CUSTOMERS! They're working with food and they go to work SICK!

Why ol' Maybelle walked out of Tim Horters because the girl at the cash was sneezing on the danish.

Poor Stanley Penelope McBottom. None of the police folks he works with stay home when they get sick. And McNasty keeps shooting 'em down like bowling pins. So as soon as Stanley starts feeling better again, he goes to work and, ZAP! He's kamikazied with germs.

Now you might think ol' Maybelle has lost her marbles, sitting here with a sanitized mask on my face. But, hey! I'm so tired of getting sick I'm scared of sneezing on MYSELF! Even Bogart's walking around with garlic around his neck and a mask on his snout. And don't think for a blink that bears don't get colds. Bogart sneezed so hard, ice cubes popped out of the freezer and the cupboard doors flew off.

Forget those bogus antibodies. They've all gone south.

And when will Beanpole Starkman finally twig that it's chicken soup you bring a sick person, NOT bologna sandwiches?!

Oh boy, I better remember my own motto. Ah yes ...

Behind those rain clouds .... achooooo! ....the sun is always shining. And if you can't see it... then you just ... SNEEZE IN ITS PLACE!!!

Maybelle's Fireside Stories is written by Jerelyn Craden. Listen to "Fireside Stories from Lake WhaddyathinkI mean" on 100.9 Canoe FM the second Saturday of the month at 12:40 p.m. Fireside stories are sponsored by Teddy Time.

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# OPP launch distracted driver campaign

How many people would knowingly get in a vehicle with a drunk driver? Would you speak out if a friend, family member or loved one was driving while impaired or would you just sit and wait to be a victim? Would you intervene if a friend or family member was talking on a hand-held phone, or texting while driving?

Distracted driving is defined as engaging in any secondary activity which takes a driver's attention away from driving and can include adjusting the radio, searching for something in the car; eating while driving, watching an entertainment monitor or using a hand-held communications device or other entertainment device.

Using a cellphone or device capable of texting while driving can result in a fine of

\$155 under Section 78.1 of the Highway Traffic Act (HTA). Watching an entertainment device can result in a fine of \$110 under Section 78 of the HTA. Other forms of distracted driving can result in a charge of careless driving with fines ranging from \$400 to \$2,000, a possible licence suspension of up to two years and/or a jail term of not more than six months.

"Driving while distracted is bad judgement, plain and simple. There is no place for it on our roads. It is every driver's responsibility to devote their full attention to driving," says OPP Deputy Commissioner Larry Beechey, the provincial commander of traffic safety and operational support.

Submitted by Haliburton OPP

# Yard sales spot the landscape on long weekend

## West Guilford

Eleanor Cooper

754-2278

Yard sales were on this past weekend. One was held at the pavilion at the community centre on Friday and on Saturday. Who knows how many more might have taken place on such a fair-weathered weekend? Next door to us. Jim O'Brien and the Freemans each held sales on Saturday.

Cathy McIlmurray (Cathy Mac of Canoe FM on Wednesdays) has had to undergo surgery due to a fall which broke her hip on Friday. May 13. We certainly wish her a speedy and sound recovery.

Susan Jesseman's aunt from Alberta, Edith ?? has been visiting Susan before returning to her home in Medicine Hat.

Bill Gliddon will be the speaker on music in Haliburton – a big subject! – when he comes to meet with the historical society on Wednesday at Maple Lake United Church. You are welcome to attend the meeting, which begins with a potluck at noon.

It's rhubarb time again and you are welcome to come and pull some of the large quantity.

It's more than I can manage, so I hope

you will avail yourself of this produce.

Euchre on May 17

High scores – Norma Geddis and Bill Marshall

Low – Jean Dutka and Harold Ross

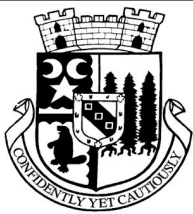
Most lone hands – Margaret Ross and Gerald Hadley

It was a pleasure to join with the family and friends of Basle Cooper on Saturday as he celebrated his 80th birthday amongst family and friends. Sam and Dorothy Rivers were there with their two daughters, as well as Vern and Mary Packard, Don and Ruth Wood and of course, Esther, Cheryl, Tim and Crystal, Jon and Sandra and of course Joan, wife and hostess for the happy event.

We are so sad to learn of the death of Jackie Barry, and our sympathy goes out to Ray (Chip), Kevin, Gerry and Elechia and their spouses and families. Jackie was a Girl Guides leader for a time and was much appreciated for her leadership in this group during her time with them.

Just as I finish the writing of this column, I hear that Wren Barry of the Irish Line has died. It's a sad loss indeed for his wife, Rose, and for his sons Christopher and David and our hearts go out to them over this time of grief for all who will miss him so.

## Notices



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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT ET AL

- **DATE:** Wednesday, June 8th, 2011
- **TIME:** 11:00 am.
- **LOCATION:** Council Chambers at the Municipal Office, 135 Maple Ave., Haliburton, Ontario.

#### APPLICATIONS:

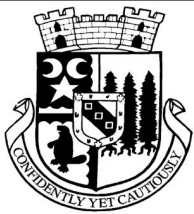
1. **D13-MV-11-003 – Joshua Liswood**
  - **Purpose and Effect:** to permit the construction of an addition to a seasonal dwelling in the WR4 zone:
    - a) a decrease to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a seasonal dwelling to have a minimum interior side lot line setback of 1 metre (3.281 feet) as opposed to 3.048 metres (10 feet), which is the established legal non-complying interior side lot line setback.
    - b) a decrease to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a seasonal dwelling to have a minimum water setback of 13 metres (42.65 feet) as opposed to 15.54 metres (51 feet), which is the established legal non-complying water setback.
  - Location: Part Lot 33, Concession 2, further described as Lot 1, Plan 532 in the geographic Township of Guilford (Basshaunt Lake – Liswood Road).
2. **D13-MV-11-004 – Alexander Troop**
  - **Purpose and Effect:** to permit the construction of a private garage in the WR4 zone:
    - a) A variance to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a framed shed located on a lot in the WR4 zone to have a minimum exterior side lot line setback of 4.267 metres (14 feet) as opposed to the required minimum of 7.5 metres (24.61 feet).
    - b) A variance to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a lot in the WR4 zone to have a maximum of 3 accessory buildings as opposed to the permitted maximum of 2 accessory buildings.
  - Location: Part Lot 18, Concession 10, further described as Part Lot 36, Plan 348 in the geographic Township of Harburn (Haliburton Lake – Haliburton Lake Road).

**ANY PERSON** is entitled to attend the hearing in person to express his/her views about these applications or may be represented by counsel for that purpose. If you do not attend the hearing the Committee may proceed in your absence and you will not be entitled to any further notice of the proceedings. The Committee will accept written submissions. **A copy of the decision will be sent to the applicant, the agent and to each person who has filed with the Secretary Treasurer a written request for notice of the decision.**

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** including specific information about the zone provisions affected by each application, is available from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday) or by phoning 705-457-1740.

May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2011

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### NOTICE OF COUNCIL MEETING TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION TO PURCHASE AN ORIGINAL ALLOWANCE FOR ROAD

- DATE:** June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011
- TIME:** Any person who wishes to address Council should contact the Planning Department for a delegation time.
- LOCATION:** Council Chambers, Municipal Office, 135 Maple Ave., Haliburton, Ontario.
- APPLICATIONS:**

The Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al has, by resolution, declared the following parcels of land to be surplus. These parcels of land are parts of an original allowance for road located in the Municipality of Dysart et al, in the County of Haliburton.

- Owner: Goretti Blimkie
- Location: Tobermory Trail – Little Redstone Lake.
  - Part of Original Allowance for Road between Lots 20 and 21, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Havelock.
  - Defined as Part 1 on a preliminary plan of survey, prepared by Paul Wilson Consulting Ltd. dated December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2010, being available for review in the Planning Department.

**NOTICE IS GIVEN** that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to consider and if deemed appropriate enact at its meeting as noted above, a by-law to close, stop-up and convey the portion of road allowance described above.

**BEFORE PASSING** the said by-law, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall at its meeting to be held as noted above, hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be affected by the said by-law.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** is available for review from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular offices hours (8:30 am. to 4:30 pm. Monday to Friday).

**DATED** at the Township of Dysart, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2011

Patricia E. Martin  
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## Touch of jazz to swing into spring

**Angelica Blenich**  
Staff reporter

Talented local ensemble Jazz Kitchen took audience members on a romp through the seasons on May 22 at the Rails End Gallery during the first of this year's Unplugged concert series.

Focused on highlighting local talent, the concert did just that as musicians Hugh Taylor, Graham Bowker, David Brusegard, Jimmie Stewart and Irene Merritt enchanted the audience with a selection of medleys to represent the changing of seasons.

Titled *Swinging Into Spring*, the concert featured classic numbers such as *Blue Skies*, *Cry Me a River*, *Hit the Road Jack* and *Over the Rainbow*. More contemporary pieces included *Blackbird*, *Here Comes the Sun* and *I Can See Clearly Now*.

Now in its second season, *Unplugged* at the Rails End

**Angelica Blenich** Echo staff  
Irene Merritt, left, sings a sweet note while David Brusegard plays along during the Jazz Kitchen concert at the Rails End Gallery in Haliburton on May 22. The show was the first of the Unplugged series, which features local talent in an intimate setting.  
Top left, Hugh Taylor blows the blues from his trumpet while Jazz Kitchen plays along.

was conceived to showcase local artists in an intimate setting while raising funds for the gallery.

"It's absolutely overwhelming the talent we have here," said Karen Oster, vice-president of the gallery. "There must be something in the water."

Aside from music the evening also featured commentary and witty quips from host Taylor and the rest of the band.

"It's a real treat for us to help support the gallery," said Taylor.

Band member Karen Frybort was absent from the concert due to a family engagement.

The next show of the series is scheduled to take place Sunday, Aug. 7 and is titled *A Family Affair* featuring the McInnes-Reginas.

For more information visit [www.railsendgallery.com](http://www.railsendgallery.com).

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# Ice cream a sweet sign of summer in Wilberforce

## Wilberforce

Hilda Clark

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Must be summer. Eileen's Ice Cream Shop is open again.

On this Victoria Day weekend shoppers were delighted to discover that it is now operating right in Agnew's General Store.

A few old timers recall that many years ago the first ice cream parlour in Wilberforce was in Agnew's.

Now it's back, though not in the same spot.

But not much is in the same place it was just a few weeks ago.

What an amazing and interesting reorganization the crew there have done to get that ice cream shop ready.

But there it is with its attractive wall painted in Neapolitan ice cream colours. A very popular spot.

No doubt someone looking for nuts and bolts in one of the former hardware sections will be sidetracked for a tasty cone. Best to drop by and explore what looks like a whole new store.

Everything is still there - but likely in a better spot.

There are a couple of new flavours of ice cream this year.

Try one on the way to the post office.

A delicious roast beef dinner was enjoyed last Saturday at the Lloyd Watson Centre.

It was presented by the Wilberforce and Area Volunteer Police Association members and their friends.

This meal is the main fundraiser for this group, which works quietly year-round to assist in keeping our community safe. Thanks for your efforts and for a tasty, hearty meal.

We are saddened as we report the death of Sheila (Stamp) Patsolas at the hospital in Peterborough following surgery on Thursday, May 19.

She was in her 60th year.

A private family visitation has taken place. Friends are welcome to join Sheila's family at a graveside service on Friday, May 27 at 11 a.m. at the Wilberforce Cemetery.

Sympathy is extended to her father Arnold Stamp of Tory Hill, daughter Lindsay and granddaughter Mikaelia of Greece, sisters Valerie of Cobourg, Stella and Kathy of Haliburton and Caroline (Cecil) of Boulder. Sheila was predeceased by her mother Shirley (Forbes) Stamp and her brother Terry Stamp.

She will be lovingly remembered by all of her family including many nieces and nephews, her sister-in-law Linda and her friends.

As expressions of sympathy gifts may be made to the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Ontario or the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation.

The Haliburton Community Funeral Home has been entrusted with funeral arrangements.

Doors Open is such a great name for an event that welcomes people to sites that they have never have visited before.

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So on June 11 and 12 it's your opportu-

nity. Twenty interesting places have agreed to open their doors FREE from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., most both days, a few only on the Saturday.

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They will definitely be at each site. More on this next time.

The restaurant in Wilberforce has new owners and will be open again soon. Wouldn't a grand opening on the weekend of June 11 and 12 be a big hit for the Doors Open visitors?

Hint, hint, hint.

## Barbecue raises \$450 for kids

Food For Kids, Haliburton County's Student Nutrition Program would like to thank:

- Everyone who came out on Saturday, May 21 to support the charity barbecue.
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# Ryder joins the HHHSF collection of stuffed bears



Ryder is the 15th stuffed bear the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation's collection. He's available at locations throughout the county. /Photo submitted

The Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation is introducing the newest member of its teddy bear family.

Ryder, the 15th bear in the foundation's collection, will be available at the LCBO and Foodland in Wilberforce; Freshmart in Kinmount; BMO, Bonnie View, CIBC, Cranberry Cottage, Foodland and the post office in Haliburton; CIBC, Foodland, Canada Trust, My Size and Wind in the Willows Spa in Minden; and Northern Hearth and Home in Carnarvon.

Together, the foundation's stuffed bears have raised more than \$76,000 for the HHHS facilities in Minden and Haliburton, funding the purchase of medical equipment.

Businesses interested in selling the bear can contact the foundation at 705-457-1580 or 705-286-1580.

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## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date: Monday, June 13, 2011

Time: 6 p.m.

Place: The Great Hall

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The Board of Directors of SIRCH is pleased to invite you to attend their Annual General Meeting.

Our guest speaker will be Paul Rosebush, President and CEO of Haliburton Highlands Health Services.

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and welcome all interested.*

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## Coming Events

**ZION UNITED CHURCH**  
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Spring Schedule

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**May 28 - 9 am**  
**Annual Work Bee**  
**(Lunch Provided)**

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**June 11 - 7:30 pm**  
**Annual Music Night**  
**All Proceeds to Support Haliburton**  
**County Dental Outreach Clinic**

**Join Us For Coffee**  
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# community calendar

What's happening in the County

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**to the  Haliburton Highlands Community Calendar link at: [www.haliburtonecho.ca](http://www.haliburtonecho.ca)**

• **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Treasures N Trash** June 18, 2011 to help plan this year's community yard sale event in Head Lake Park Please contact Laurie 705-457-2330 railsendgallery.com ;

• **May 25: HALIBURTON:** Prenatal Class located @ HKPR District Health Unit office (191 Highland St., Unit 301) Join this free class offered by the Health Unit to help expectant parents prepare for baby's arrival. Continues for following three Wednesday nights. Pre-register by calling (705) 457-1391 or 1-866-888-4577.

• **May 25: Free Osteoarthritis Information & Education Session:** located at the Haliburton Hospital Physiotherapy Department from 10am-12:30pm for more in for or to registrar (space is limited) call 705-457-1392 x226

• **May 26: Woman and Money:** The Minden Branch of the Haliburton Public Library presents a series of financial Planning Workshops beginning at 6:30pm Pre-register for these free sessions by calling 705-457-2241

• **May 28: Kinmount Farmers Market** from 9am-2pm located at the Old Railway Station in Kinmount

• **May 28st Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalist Don Smith,** will lead a birding walk along the rail trail at Gould's Crossing at 6:30 a.m. Bring your birding questions to Don and bring your binoculars.

• **June 5: The Granny Tea Party** from 2-4pm in support of The Stephen Lewis Foundation. Located at the Zion United Church Carnarvon Admission \$12 for tickets call 705-286-2198

• **June 2: HHSS Music Students Present A Spring Concert** 7:30 p.m. Grade Nine Class, Red Hawk Jazz Combo, Red Hawk Jazz Ensemble and Guitar Night. Solos, Duos "Guitorquestra" Everyone is Welcome to attend. Admission by voluntary donation at the door

• **June 4: Giant Minden Rotary Dinner Auction** at the Minden Community Centre doors open at 5:30, dinner at 7 catered by St Paul's Anglican Church \$30.00 per person Fun and Bargains galore with live, loonie, silent and country auctions Call Glen at 286-2198 for tickets by June 1. or available at Campbell's Garden Centre and Molly's Bistro in Minden. All proceeds to community projects.

• **June 8: Haliburton Curling Club Annual Golf Event** Blairhampton Golf Club 1pm shotgun start \$45.00 entry fee .To register, call Larry Dart 705 457 5284; or Rick Ashall 705 455 9567. Non curlers are more than welcome!

• **June 9-13: The Reliquary of Saint Brother Andre Events** Our Lady of Mercy Church, Bancroft. Saint Anthony of Padua Church, Haliburton Contact Church for full List of Events

• **June 26: 9th Annual REC WALK** located at Beavermead Park Ashburnham Dr. Check in at noon All proceeds to Four Counties Brain Injury Association contact 705-741-1172

• **River Walk Minden** is asking residents for their help to lend historic pictures and/or family stories for interpretative signage and future historic booklet. For more information call 705-286-1312 or mindenriverwalk@gmail.com

• **VOLUNTEER with COMMUNITY CARE** Please contact Eileen MacCormack Co-ordinator of Volunteer Services for more information at: 705-324-7323, by email emaccormack@community-care.on.ca or visit the Community Care website at [www.community-care.on.ca](http://www.community-care.on.ca)

• **Canoe FM – Your Not for Profit Community Radio Station** in Haliburton is looking for volunteer broadcasters. For more info call Roxanne Casey a call at 705-457-9603

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**Please submit events by the Wednesday prior to the requested publication date.**

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The job is listed with Young Canada Works in Heritage Organizations. Apply to Thomas Ballantine, Director, by May 27, 2011. Please visit our website [www.haliburtonhighlandsmuseum.com](http://www.haliburtonhighlandsmuseum.com) for the appropriate contact information.

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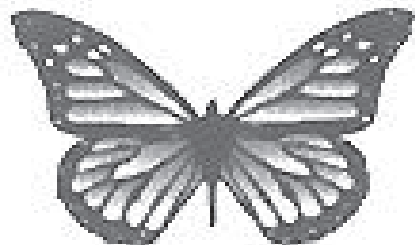
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## Thank You Cards

To my dear friends and relatives. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for coming and joining with me to celebrate my 80th birthday. I am gradually coming down to earth's level. Thank you so much for all the beautiful flowers, great gifts, lovely cards, and those who helped in any way. It was a wonderful day, one I will treasure the rest of my life. Your friendships means a great deal to me. You are precious.

A very special thank you to my family Bev and Pat, Dave and Helen, Roger and Kelly and my grand children Joel, Rachel, Holly and Emily.

Thanks again so much  
Love Betty Hicks

## Deaths

**DOIRON, Violet Mary** - Passed away peacefully at the Soldiers' Memorial Hospital, Orillia on Sunday, May 15, 2011 with her loving family by her side. In her 81st year. Beloved wife of Henry for 60 years. Dear mother of Lorraine (Michael), Lee-ann (Marcel), Ivan (Brenda), Denise (Lockie), Gerry (Kim) and Dennis (Rose). Loving nana of Shawn (Kim), Michelle, Shane, Angela, Andrew, Christopher (Allison), Adam, Brandon, Brent (Elizabeth), Katlyn, Jordan and great nana of Jake, Hailey and Kirstley. Dear sister of Norman, Alcide, Bertha, Rose and predeceased by Isabelle, Donia, Ivan, Yvette and Raymond. Fondly remembered by her family and friends. Friends are invited to visit the family at the **GORDON A. MONK FUNERAL HOME LTD.**, 127 Bobcaygeon Rd., Minden on Tuesday from 2-4 and 7-9 pm. Then to Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, Minden for Funeral Mass on Wednesday, May 18, 2011 at 11:00 am. Interment at St. Patrick's Catholic Church Cemetery, Kilmount. Reception to follow back at the Church. Memorial Donations to Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church would be appreciated by the family.

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Yours Sincerely,  
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Loving you always wife Eileen, Brenda, Robin & Families

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**MacDuff, Jean-** In loving memory of a dear mother, grandmother and great grandmother who passed away May 24th, 2010

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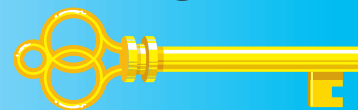
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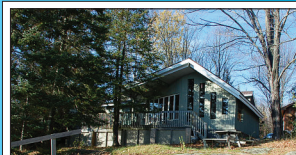
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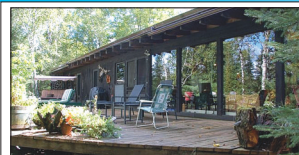
**\$615,000.**



### KOSHLONG LAKE

4BR open concept yr rnd cottage. Warm wood ambience. Heated wtrline, UV system, New steel roof, single det grg. Rustic lot, rock shore, sitting deck, south exposure.

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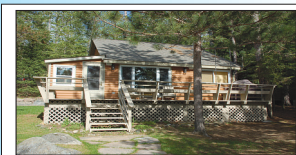
**\$429,000.**



### WATERFRONT ACREAGE

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### SOYERS LAKE

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### GREEN LAKE

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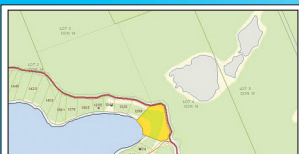
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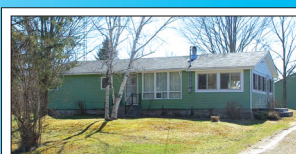
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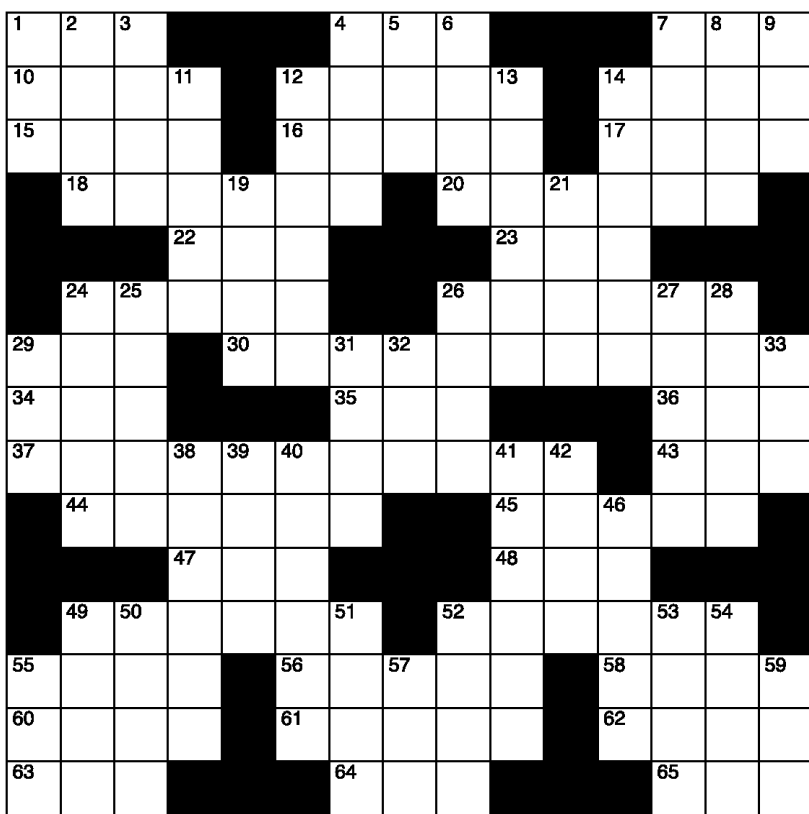
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1. Federally chartered savings bank
4. Droop
7. Point midway between E and SE
10. Not generally occurring
12. Water arum
14. Sharp barks
15. Continent
16. Afflicted
17. As fast as can be done, abbr.
18. Breeding ground
20. Minnesotan
22. Many not ands
23. This moment
24. Yemen capital
26. Temptresses
29. Surface matt of grass & roots
30. Elementary institute
34. Humorous in a shrewd way
35. Mother
36. To feel regret
37. Do without discovery
43. Runner that glides over snow
44. Actor \_\_\_ Day-Lewis
45. Leaks out slowly
47. Abbr. for degree
48. Ribonucleic acid
49. Loudly lamented
52. Rows, one over another
55. Italian Island
56. Lofty nest of a bird of prey
58. Legally binding command
60. Informal term for a human head
61. Dismisses angrily
62. Soluble ribonucleic acid
63. Big clock in Westminster
64. Radio direction finder (abbr.)
65. de cologne

## CLUES DOWN

1. Title of Italian monk or friar
2. Part of a window frame
3. Gusto (Italian)
4. Aforementioned
5. The whole lot
6. Quick-eyed (Scottish)
7. A prosperous state of well-being
8. Pole used to support rigging
9. Clairvoyance
11. 45320 OH
12. Dog whisperer Milan
13. Youth loved by Aphrodite
14. Old Testament name of God
19. Boast
21. Meat from a pig (alt. sp.)
24. Made tender
25. Sanctum in an ancient temple
26. Partial
27. People of Scandinavia
28. Arabian open-air markets
29. Sine wave generator (abbr.)
31. AKA pentyl
32. \_\_\_ Jones Industrial Average
33. Garland of flowers
38. About Andes
39. German name for Vienna
40. Sea between Greece and Turkey
41. Revolutionary Loyalists
42. Sharpen on a whetstone
46. Middle East cup holders
49. Swiss painter Paul
50. Israeli politician Abba
51. A beloved person
52. Petty quarrel
53. Irish Republic
54. Airport actor Andrews
55. Outward flow of the tide
57. Rural Free Delivery (abbr.)
59. Follows sigma

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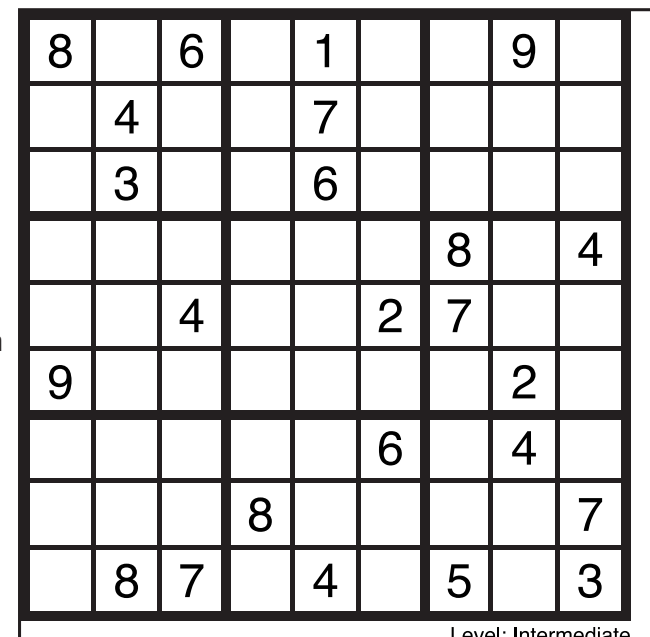
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• **Rhythmic Foundations** – Drumming Program on Mondays from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. (No Class May 16 or 23) Experience the benefits of drumming, self-expression, creativity and play. No previous experience required. Some drums provided – please bring your own

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• **River Walk Minden** is asking residents for their help to lend historic pictures and/or family stories for interpretative signage and future historic booklet. For more information call 705-286-1312 or [mindenriverwalk@gmail.com](mailto:mindenriverwalk@gmail.com)

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• **Shepherd's Table Community Supper** Every first and third Friday of the month at the Lakeside Baptist Church at 5:30 p.m. for a free, hot and nutritious meal to help you stretch your grocery dollars. R.S.V.P 705-457-2851.

• **SMART Seniors Maintaining Active Roles Together** is a safe, gentle exercise program to maintain strength, balance and flexibility. \$2 per session. Thursdays at 1 p.m., at Echo Hills (Haliburton) and Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in Hyland Crest auditorium. To register call Carol at 705-286-2500 ext. 265 or Melanie Therrien (VON) at 800-743-6255 ex 6451.

• **Summer Camp for Haliburton Kids!** Create unforgettable memories that will last them a lifetime! Sponsor a child to attend summer camp this year! The Haliburton County Camp Fund enables children in financial need and those who have special needs, physical, developmental, social and behavioural challenges to go to a local camp. For more information or to make a donation call Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents 705-457-5345 Ext. 311.

• **Taoist Tai Chi SocietyTM** New classes begin in January in Haliburton, Kinmount, Minden and Wilberforce. Taoist Tai ChiTM is a gentle form of exercise which can help you improve your strength, flexibility and balance. Come learn what tai chi could do for you. Call Wilma 705-457-1909 or email [Michele.marksmith5468@xplornet.ca](mailto:Michele.marksmith5468@xplornet.ca).

• **Tea at 3** Wednesdays at 3 p.m at the Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre.

• **The Haliburton Highlands Handweavers & Spinners Guild** meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m., new members welcome. Contact Marian Gillanders, 705-489-3574, for info on meeting location.

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• **The Reliquary of Saint Brother Andre: Our Lady of Mercy Church, Bancroft.** Saint Anthony of Padua Church Haliburton. June 9- 6:00pm Reception of the reliquary of Saint Brother Andre. 7pm Mass with the Sacrament of the sick and the anointing. June 10- 7:00am-7:00pm Church will be open for private prayer, 11:00am Mass The Most Reverend Micheal Mulhall Bishop of Pembroke presiding. June 11- 9:00am Mass 7pm First Vespers of Pentecost Church will remain open for all night vigil Sunday June 12- Pentecost Sunday 9:30am Mass of Thanksgiving 50th Anniversary of the Blessing of the Church of Our Lady of Mercy Followed by a "Homecoming Lawn Reception" 4:00pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Monday June 13 Feast of the Patron Saint of Saint Anthony of Padua Mission, Haliburton 10:00am Reception of the Reliquary of Saint Brother Andre, Saint Anthony of Padua Church Haliburton, 12:00am Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick with anointing

• **TOPS** Take Off Pounds Sensibly. Mondays at Community Care. First meeting free. Weigh-in at 9:30 to 10 a.m. followed by short meeting. Don or Mary at 705-447-2420.

• **VON Adult Day Program Caregivers**, would you like to see your loved one enjoying a day filled with physical, mental and social stimulation, while providing a day for yourself? Mondays and Thursdays in Minden and Tuesdays in Haliburton. Join us from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call Karen at 705-286-6031.

• **Yoga Class** with Ingrid Bitner takes place on Wednesdays from 10 to 11 a.m. and again from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. No classes May 4 or 11. We need three participants for a class to run so please call ahead. The class is suitable for all levels and your first class is free. \$15 for one

class, \$70 for five and \$95 for eight. Call Ingrid at 705-783-1691 for more information.

• **Volunteer Recruitment: Community Care** City of Kawartha Lakes Health and Support Services is currently recruiting volunteers to assist in the adult day program in Bobcaygeon, Fenelon Falls, Omemee and Burnt River. Volunteers assist staff with programs for socially isolated seniors and people with special needs such as physical or developmental disabilities. Training provided. Contact Eileen MacCormack, 705-324-7323, ext. 274 or [emac-cormack@community-care.on.ca](mailto:emac-cormack@community-care.on.ca).

• **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** Treasures N Trash June 18, 2011 to help plan this year's community yard sale event in Head Lake Park Please contact Laurie 705-457-2330 [railsend-gallery.com](mailto:railsend-gallery.com);

• **WANED:** Local Farm/Food Producers to Display Saturdays Beside Martys Health Foods. Please call Rolf for more information at 705-457-3216

• **Wii Resort** Every Tuesday 9:30-noon at the Community Care Drop in Centre.

• **June 2: HHSS Music Students Present A Spring Concert** 7:30 p.m. Grade Nine Class, Red Hawk Jazz Combo, Red Hawk Jazz Ensemble and Guitar Night. Solos, Duos "Guitorkestra" Everyone is Welcome to attend. Admission by voluntary donation at the door

• **June 4: Giant Minden Rotary Dinner** Auction at the Minden Community Centre doors open at 5:30, dinner at 7 catered by St Paul's Anglican Church \$30.00 per person Fun and Bargains galore with live, loonie, silent and country auctions Call Glen at 286-2198 for tickets by June 1.

or available at Campbell's Garden Centre and Molly's Bistro in Minden. All proceeds to community projects

• **June 8: Haliburton Curling Club** Annual Golf Event Blairhampton Golf Club

1pm shotgun start \$45.00 entry fee gives you 9 holes of golf fun, cart, prizes and a delicious beef-on-a-bun dinner back at the curling club. To register, call Larry Dart 705 457 5284; or Rick Ashall 705 455 9567. Non curlers are more than welcome!

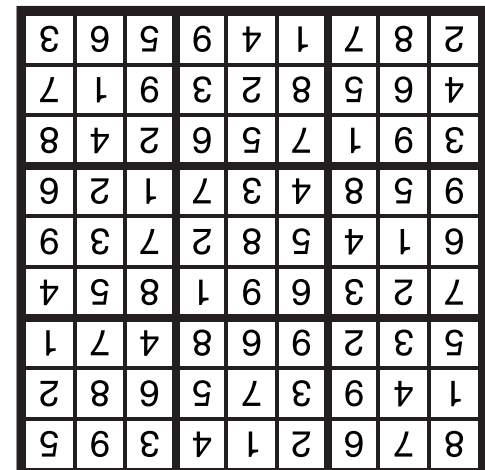
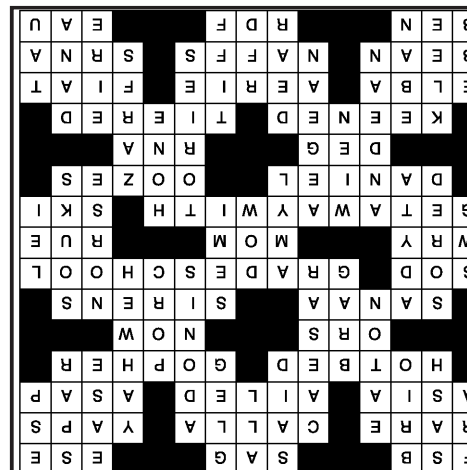
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# Kinmount Country Jamboree

Organizers for the annual Kinmount Country Jamboree has announced the artists that take the stage for the late June event.

The gates open on Thursday, June 23, at 9 a.m. for early bird arrivals.

On the main stage on Saturday, June 25 is the stars of yesterday and today with the Kinmount Jamboree Band.

Doug Johnson, Steel Guitar, Doug Deveaux, Guitar, Dusty King Jr., Bass Guitar, Frank Woodcock, Drums, PA & Lights by: Bill Lintner & Sherr-A-Tune Sounds (Tim Peters) comprise the band and technical crew.

## Stars of The Kinmount Country Jamboree

All Star Cast!

### Harold McIntyre

Harold is one of our star entertainers from the 80s. He had a No. 1 hit "Before She Made Me Crawl" He has performed on many of the Jamborees in southern Ontario such as the Classic Country Music Reunion and The Auction Barn Jamboree in Colborne just to name a couple.

### Country Music Award Winner - Anita Perras

In 1985 she won the Country Music News Fan Award and that set the stage for what was to come. In 1988 & 1987 Anita won Female Vocalist of the Year and in 1988, she won Single of the Year with One Smoky Rose. Anita, along with Tim Taylor, won Duo of the Year in 1984, 85, 86, and 87. Anita has been nominated five times by the CCMA for Female Vocalist of the Year. Other nominations from CCMA include: Album of the Year - Way Beyond The Blue and Single of the Year for Tips Of My

Fingers. She has also been nominated for a Juno Award for the Most Promising Female Vocalist and Country Female Vocalist of the Year. She has won the Dutch Country Music Award Female Vocalist of the Year and RPM Big Country Award Female Vocalist three times.

### Larry Mercey

Larry started his career on the CKNX barn Dance broadcasting from Wingham, Ontario in 1956. He then formed the group the Mercey Brothers who have the honour of being inducted into The Canadian Country Music Hall Of Fame. As lead singer in this famed group, Larry has recorded 17 albums (including a Gold Album) and some 50 singles, most of them reaching the #1 spot on the charts. Larry has appeared on some of the largest concert stages such as Torontos CNE Grandstand, Ontario Place, Big Country Jamboree at Craven Saskatchewan, as well as tours in England, The Netherlands, Germany, Sweden and Finland, performance on Nashvilles Grand Ole Opry.

We are thrilled to have Larry with us at the Kinmount Jamboree June 25th 2011.

### Johnny Burke - No. 1 hit "Wild Honey"

In 1967 Johnny formed the Caribou Showband and for the next seven years hosted a syndicated television show called At The Caribou. In 1972 the Caribou Showband changed it's name to Eastwind which later became the houseband on the CTV network show The Funny Farm. Although Johnny and his band spent a great deal of time backing up other name artists, including a seven year engagement on the syndicated Opry North Show, Johnny

himself developed a loyal following of fans with his own pure country voice. His hit record Wild Honey was named single of the year in 1978 and his records became top sales items across the country.

Come out and sing a few tunes during the "Open Mic"

Open Mic begins Thursday night @ 7p.m. until 11:00 p.m.

Friday - Saturday - 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m and 11:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m

Sunday Gospel Show at 11:00 a.m. until 12.15 p.m.

Sunday evening: Open Mic from 7 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Sunday Main Stage show from 1p.m. to 5 p.m. at the grandstand

The town of Kinmount presents fireworks:

Canada Day Celebration. (They will have non stop entertainment starting at 5 p.m. until the fireworks start.)

(Admission is free starting at 5 p.m.)

"Share The Wealth" Draws - Door Prizes - Cash Bar.

For more information & tickets contact:

Kinmount Fairgrounds

email: info@kinmountfair.net • 705-488-2372

Ticket Prices: Weekend pass with camping \$65.00/person (HST included) Day Passes: Friday & Sunday \$12.00 (Camping Not Included) Saturday - \$15.00 (Camping Not Included) Children under 12 - free (when accompanied by an adult) \*\*Wrist Band Policy In Effect\*\*

Make cheques payable: "Kinmount Agricultural Society" PO Box 238 Kinmount, ON K0M 2A0 Attention: Jamboree

## *Fine print before breaking your mortgage*

A job transfer, a divorce or some other change in financial circumstances can leave you with a mortgage you no longer want or can afford. So, what happens if you need to break your mortgage?

Chartered Accountant Robyn Negin is a licensed mortgage agent with Dominion Lending Centers Mortgage Connection in Toronto. Breaking a mortgage should never be a casual undertaking, she says, as there will almost certainly be costs and penalties. Your best strategy is to fully read and understand all the fine print before you sign the loan papers, so you can build in some wiggle room at the beginning.

But hindsight is twenty-twenty. Should you find yourself needing – or wanting – to break your mortgage, here are some things Negin suggests you consider.

Tax breaks may help cover the costs – If you're breaking a mortgage because you need to move for work, there may be some financial help available. With intra-company transfers, your employer may cover the costs as part of your moving expenses. Or, if you're moving to start a new job or to be significantly closer to your work, the fees may be tax-deductible. More details are available on the Canada Revenue Agency website at <http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca>.

Do some homework – If someone offered you \$10,000 to make a few phone calls, or spend a few hours researching mortgage rates online, would you do it? Shopping around for a mortgage could easily save you that much over its lifetime. So if you're considering breaking your

mortgage to get a better deal on the financing, be sure to look – thoroughly – before you leap.

Check the fine print, and the math – Often, Negin says, the calculations used to determine the penalties of breaking a mortgage are not properly disclosed to clients. Further, different lenders calculate the penalties differently. Some use posted rates, some use discounted rates, and some will only let you break a mortgage if there's a bona fide sale to replace it.

Amortization rules have changed – Last year, new rules were introduced that limited amortization periods to 30 years instead of 35. While this prudent measure may help prevent homebuyers from overextending themselves, it also has implications for property or real estate investors, who may want to divide costs over the longest period possible. Make sure you know how this may affect you before you break your existing mortgage.

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Know the costs – Most fixed-rate mortgages have a standard charge for breaking them, which is the greater of either (a) three months interest penalties or (b) the inter-

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Try to blend and extend – For a plan with a five-year term, many mortgagees will consider refinancing around the four-year mark, Negin says. She suggests you find out if your lender will let you "blend and extend". With the right circumstances, timing and interest rates, they may offer you a better rate for a longer period, which may make the mortgage-breaking penalties worthwhile.

Make friends with your broker – For the best handle on the rates you pay for a mortgage, Negin suggests you stay in touch with your broker. He or she will keep you in the loop, watch out for good deals and keep you apprised of the bigger financial picture. Your broker will also help you evaluate the pros and cons, so you can make an informed decision as to whether it's better to break the mortgage, pay the penalty and get a lower rate, or stay with the one you have because the costs outweigh the benefits. You'll then be in the best position possible to take advantage of timing – one of the best and biggest advantages you can have if ever you want to break your mortgage.

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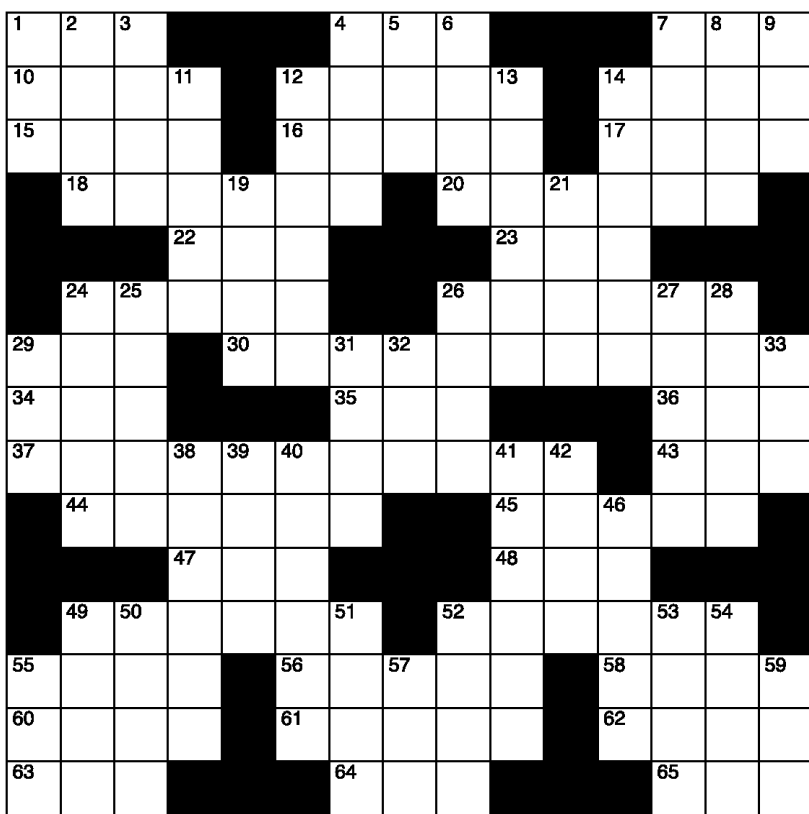
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## CLUES ACROSS

1. Federally chartered savings bank
4. Droop
7. Point midway between E and SE
10. Not generally occurring
12. Water arum
14. Sharp barks
15. Continent
16. Afflicted
17. As fast as can be done, abbr.
18. Breeding ground
20. Minnesotan
22. Many not ands
23. This moment
24. Yemen capital
26. Temptresses
29. Surface matt of grass & roots
30. Elementary institute
34. Humorous in a shrewd way
35. Mother
36. To feel regret
37. Do without discovery
43. Runner that glides over snow
44. Actor \_\_\_ Day-Lewis
45. Leaks out slowly
47. Abbr. for degree
48. Ribonucleic acid
49. Loudly lamented
52. Rows, one over another
55. Italian Island
56. Lofty nest of a bird of prey
58. Legally binding command
60. Informal term for a human head
61. Dismisses angrily
62. Soluble ribonucleic acid
63. Big clock in Westminster
64. Radio direction finder (abbr.)
65. de cologne

## CLUES DOWN

1. Title of Italian monk or friar
2. Part of a window frame
3. Gusto (Italian)
4. Aforementioned
5. The whole lot
6. Quick-eyed (Scottish)
7. A prosperous state of well-being
8. Pole used to support rigging
9. Clairvoyance
11. 45320 OH
12. Dog whisperer Milan
13. Youth loved by Aphrodite
14. Old Testament name of God
19. Boast
21. Meat from a pig (alt. sp.)
24. Made tender
25. Sanctum in an ancient temple
26. Partial
27. People of Scandinavia
28. Arabian open-air markets
29. Sine wave generator (abbr.)
31. AKA pentyl
32. \_\_\_ Jones Industrial Average
33. Garland of flowers
38. About Andes
39. German name for Vienna
40. Sea between Greece and Turkey
41. Revolutionary Loyalists
42. Sharpen on a whetstone
46. Middle East cup holders
49. Swiss painter Paul
50. Israeli politician Abba
51. A beloved person
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54. Airport actor Andrews
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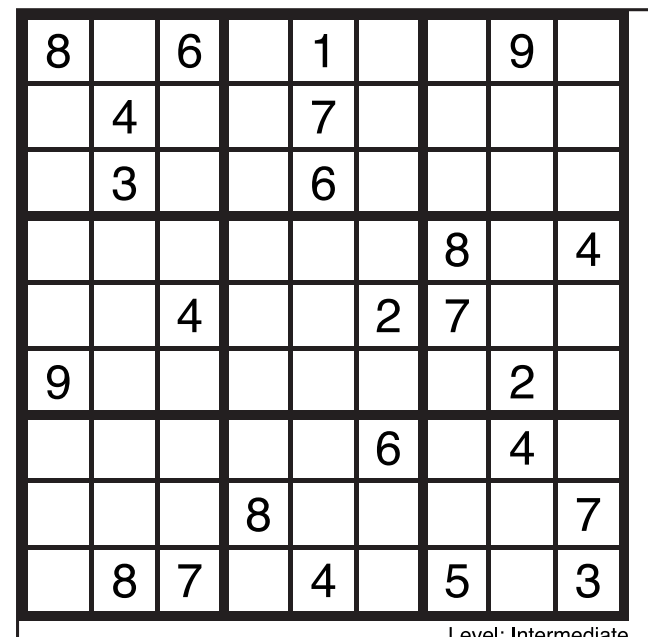
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• **Meals On Wheels** by Community Care Haliburton County offers nutritiously balanced frozen meals. Call 705-457-2941.

• **Meditation Classes** Join us every Monday for FREE meditation classes, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. 1004 Nipissing Trail, Gelert. Call 705-286-3984 for details and cost info for workbook.

• **Minden Hearing Service** Drop off your old or damaged hearing aids to Minden Hearing Service at 41 Bobcaygeon Road Minden or Halco Plaza in Haliburton. They will be refurbished and distributed to the needy in Third World countries.

• **Minden and District Horticultural Society** meets the first Tuesday of each month, May to November at 7 p.m. at the Minden Community Centre, call Barb at 754 9303 or Liz at 447 0151.

• **Ontario Breast Screening Program** for women 50 years and over, screening by appointment only on Thursdays and Fridays at Ross Memorial Hospital. No doctor referral necessary. 705-328-6175.

• **Overcomers Recovery Support Group**, Wednesday evenings 7 to 8:30 p.m. For people overcoming life controlling issues. To watch a five-minute promo video go to [www.recovery-support.org](http://www.recovery-support.org). Don or Judy at 705-457-3017.

• **Parkinson's Support Group** If you or a loved one is living with Parkinson's join our support group. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at the Haliburton United Church on Pine Street in Haliburton from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Call Janet Bottum or Barb Fraser at the Haliburton Highlands Family Health Team 705-455-9220.

• **Rails End Gallery** Family Saturdays are from 1 to 3 p.m.

• **Rhythmic Foundations** – Drumming Program on Mondays from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. (No Class May 16 or 23) Experience the benefits of drumming, self-expression, creativity and play. No previous experience required. Some drums provided – please bring your own

if you have one. Cost is \$50 for 4 classes or \$15 per class. For info or to register call Gillian at 705-766-2323 or email [Gillian@rhythmicbynature.com](mailto:Gillian@rhythmicbynature.com)

• **River Walk Minden** is asking residents for their help to lend historic pictures and/or family stories for interpretative signage and future historic booklet. For more information call 705-286-1312 or [mindenriverwalk@gmail.com](mailto:mindenriverwalk@gmail.com)

• **Royal Canadian Legion**, Haliburton Br. 129. Every Wednesday night is bingo night. Early bird at 7 p.m.

• **Royal Canadian Legion**, Minden Br. 636, holds its general business meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

• **Security Check** Phone Call Community Care Haliburton County has volunteers to give seniors 55+ or physically disabled adults a security check phone call. Call Judy 705-457-2941.

• **Shepherd's Table Community Supper** Every first and third Friday of the month at the Lakeside Baptist Church at 5:30 p.m. for a free, hot and nutritious meal to help you stretch your grocery dollars. R.S.V.P 705-457-2851.

• **SMART Seniors Maintaining Active Roles** Together is asafe, gentle exercise program to maintain strength, balance and flexibility. \$2 per session. Thursdays at 1 p.m., at Echo Hills (Haliburton) and Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in Hyland Crest auditorium. To register call Carol at 705-286-2500 ext. 265 or Melanie Therrien (VON) at 800-743-6255 ex 6451.

• **Summer Camp for Haliburton Kids!** Create unforgettable memories that will last them a lifetime! Sponsor a child to attend summer camp this year! The Haliburton County Camp Fund enables children in financial need and those who have special needs, physical, developmental, social and behavioural challenges to go to a local camp. For more information or to make a donation call Point in Time Centre for Children, Youth and Parents 705-457-5345 Ext. 311.

• **Taoist Tai Chi SocietyTM** New classes begin in January in Haliburton, Kinmount, Minden and Wilberforce. Taoist Tai ChiTM is a gentle form of exercise which can help you improve your strength, flexibility and balance. Come learn what tai chi could do for you. Call Wilma 705-457-1909 or email [Michele.marksmith5468@xplornet.ca](mailto:Michele.marksmith5468@xplornet.ca).

• **Tea at 3** Wednesdays at 3 p.m at the Rails End Gallery and Arts Centre.

• **The Haliburton Highlands Handweavers & Spinners Guild** meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 1:30 p.m., new members welcome. Contact Marian Gillanders, 705-489-3574, for info on meeting location.

• **The Haliburton Highlands Prostate Cancer Support Group** meets the third Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge at the Highland Crest Senior Citizen's home in Minden. Call Rick Ratcliff at 705-286-6699.

• **The Reliquary of Saint Brother Andre: Our Lady of Mercy Church, Bancroft.** Saint Anthony of Padua Church Haliburton. June 9- 6:00pm Reception of the reliquary of Saint Brother Andre. 7pm Mass with the Sacrament of the sick and the anointing. June 10- 7:00am-7:00pm Church will be open for private prayer, 11:00am Mass The Most Reverend Micheal Mulhall Bishop of Pembroke presiding. June 11- 9:00am Mass 7pm First Vespers of Pentecost Church will remain open for all night vigil Sunday June 12- Pentecost Sunday 9:30am Mass of Thanksgiving 50th Anniversary of the Blessing of the Church of Our Lady of Mercy Followed by a "Homecoming Lawn Reception" 4:00pm Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Monday June 13 Feast of the Patron Saint of Saint Anthony of Padua Mission, Haliburton 10:00am Reception of the Reliquary of Saint Brother Andre, Saint Anthony of Padua Church Haliburton, 12:00am Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick with anointing

• **TOPS** Take Off Pounds Sensibly. Mondays at Community Care. First meeting free. Weigh-in at 9:30 to 10 a.m. followed by short meeting. Don or Mary at 705-447-2420.

• **VON Adult Day Program Caregivers**, would you like to see your loved one enjoying a day filled with physical, mental and social stimulation, while providing a day for yourself? Mondays and Thursdays in Minden and Tuesdays in Haliburton. Join us from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call Karen at 705-286-6031.

• **Yoga Class** with Ingrid Bitner takes place on Wednesdays from 10 to 11 a.m. and again from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. No classes May 4 or 11. We need three participants for a class to run so please call ahead. The class is suitable for all levels and your first class is free. \$15 for one

class, \$70 for five and \$95 for eight. Call Ingrid at 705-783-1691 for more information.

• **Volunteer Recruitment: Community Care** City of Kawartha Lakes Health and Support Services is currently recruiting volunteers to assist in the adult day program in Bobcaygeon, Fenelon Falls, Omemee and Burnt River. Volunteers assist staff with programs for socially isolated seniors and people with special needs such as physical or developmental disabilities. Training provided. Contact Eileen MacCormack, 705-324-7323, ext. 274 or [emac-cormack@community-care.on.ca](mailto:emac-cormack@community-care.on.ca).

• **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** Treasures N Trash June 18, 2011 to help plan this year's community yard sale event in Head Lake Park Please contact Laurie 705-457-2330 [railsend-gallery.com](mailto:railsend-gallery.com);

• **WANED:** Local Farm/Food Producers to Display Saturdays Beside Martys Health Foods. Please call Rolf for more information at 705-457-3216

• **Wii Resort** Every Tuesday 9:30-noon at the Community Care Drop in Centre.

• **June 2: HHSS Music Students Present A Spring Concert** 7:30 p.m. Grade Nine Class, Red Hawk Jazz Combo, Red Hawk Jazz Ensemble and Guitar Night. Solos, Duos "Guitorquestra" Everyone is Welcome to attend. Admission by voluntary donation at the door

• **June 4: Giant Minden Rotary Dinner** Auction at the Minden Community Centre doors open at 5:30, dinner at 7 catered by St Paul's Anglican Church \$30.00 per person Fun and Bargains galore with live, loonie, silent and country auctions Call Glen at 286-2198 for tickets by June 1.

or available at Campbell's Garden Centre and Molly's Bistro in Minden. All proceeds to community projects

• **June 8: Haliburton Curling Club** Annual Golf Event Blairhampton Golf Club

1pm shotgun start \$45.00 entry fee gives you 9 holes of golf fun, cart, prizes and a delicious beef-on-a-bun dinner back at the curling club. To register, call Larry Dart 705 457 5284; or Rick Ashall 705 455 9567. Non curlers are more than welcome!

• **June 26: 9th Annual REC WALK** located at Beavermead Park Ashburnham Dr. Check in at noon All proceeds to Four Counties Brain Injury Association contact 705-741-1172

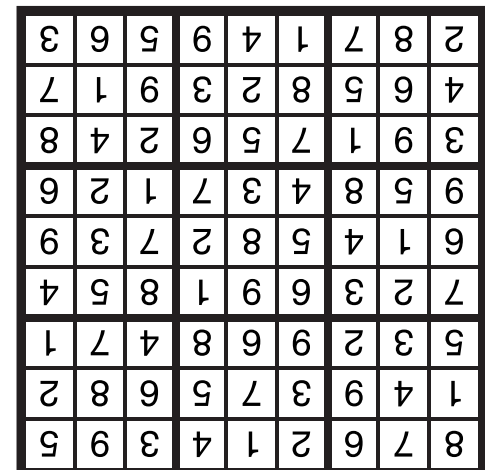
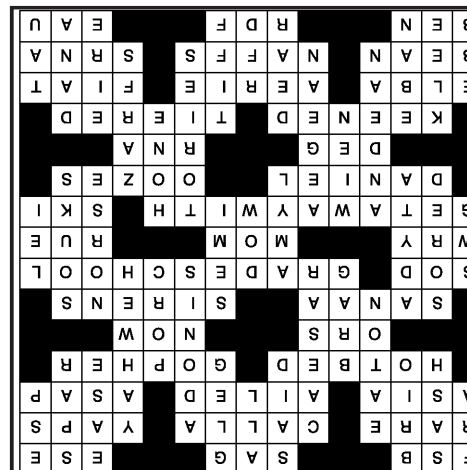
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# Kinmount Country Jamboree

Organizers for the annual Kinmount Country Jamboree has announced the artists that take the stage for the late June event.

The gates open on Thursday, June 23, at 9 a.m. for early bird arrivals.

On the main stage on Saturday, June 25 is the stars of yesterday and today with the Kinmount Jamboree Band.

Doug Johnson, Steel Guitar, Doug Deveaux, Guitar, Dusty King Jr., Bass Guitar, Frank Woodcock, Drums, PA & Lights by: Bill Lintner & Sherr-A-Tune Sounds (Tim Peters) comprise the band and technical crew.

## Stars of The Kinmount Country Jamboree

All Star Cast!

### Harold McIntyre

Harold is one of our star entertainers from the 80s. He had a No. 1 hit "Before She Made Me Crawl" He has performed on many of the Jamborees in southern Ontario such as the Classic Country Music Reunion and The Auction Barn Jamboree in Colborne just to name a couple.

### Country Music Award Winner - Anita Perras

In 1985 she won the Country Music News Fan Award and that set the stage for what was to come. In 1988 & 1987 Anita won Female Vocalist of the Year and in 1988, she won Single of the Year with One Smoky Rose. Anita, along with Tim Taylor, won Duo of the Year in 1984, 85, 86, and 87. Anita has been nominated five times by the CCMA for Female Vocalist of the Year. Other nominations from CCMA include: Album of the Year - Way Beyond The Blue and Single of the Year for Tips Of My

Fingers. She has also been nominated for a Juno Award for the Most Promising Female Vocalist and Country Female Vocalist of the Year. She has won the Dutch Country Music Award Female Vocalist of the Year and RPM Big Country Award Female Vocalist three times.

### Larry Mercey

Larry started his career on the CKNX barn Dance broadcasting from Wingham, Ontario in 1956. He then formed the group the Mercey Brothers who have the honour of being inducted into The Canadian Country Music Hall Of Fame. As lead singer in this famed group, Larry has recorded 17 albums (including a Gold Album) and some 50 singles, most of them reaching the #1 spot on the charts. Larry has appeared on some of the largest concert stages such as Torontos CNE Grandstand, Ontario Place, Big Country Jamboree at Craven Saskatchewan, as well as tours in England, The Netherlands, Germany, Sweden and Finland, performance on Nashvilles Grand Ole Opry.

We are thrilled to have Larry with us at the Kinmount Jamboree June 25th 2011.

### Johnny Burke - No. 1 hit "Wild Honey"

In 1967 Johnny formed the Caribou Showband and for the next seven years hosted a syndicated television show called At The Caribou. In 1972 the Caribou Showband changed it's name to Eastwind which later became the houseband on the CTV network show The Funny Farm. Although Johnny and his band spent a great deal of time backing up other name artists, including a seven year engagement on the syndicated Opry North Show, Johnny

himself developed a loyal following of fans with his own pure country voice. His hit record Wild Honey was named single of the year in 1978 and his records became top sales items across the country.

Come out and sing a few tunes during the "Open Mic"

Open Mic begins Thursday night @ 7p.m. until 11:00 p.m.

Friday - Saturday - 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m and 11:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m

Sunday Gospel Show at 11:00 a.m. until 12.15 p.m.

Sunday evening: Open Mic from 7 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Sunday Main Stage show from 1p.m. to 5 p.m. at the grandstand

The town of Kinmount presents fireworks:

Canada Day Celebration. (They will have non stop entertainment starting at 5 p.m. until the fireworks start.)

(Admission is free starting at 5 p.m.)

"Share The Wealth" Draws - Door Prizes - Cash Bar.

For more information & tickets contact:

Kinmount Fairgrounds

email: info@kinmountfair.net • 705-488-2372

Ticket Prices: Weekend pass with camping \$65.00/person (HST included) Day Passes: Friday & Sunday \$12.00 (Camping Not Included) Saturday - \$15.00 (Camping Not Included) Children under 12 - free (when accompanied by an adult) \*\*Wrist Band Policy In Effect\*\*

Make cheques payable: "Kinmount Agricultural Society" PO Box 238 Kinmount, ON K0M 2A0 Attention: Jamboree

## *Fine print before breaking your mortgage*

A job transfer, a divorce or some other change in financial circumstances can leave you with a mortgage you no longer want or can afford. So, what happens if you need to break your mortgage?

Chartered Accountant Robyn Negin is a licensed mortgage agent with Dominion Lending Centers Mortgage Connection in Toronto. Breaking a mortgage should never be a casual undertaking, she says, as there will almost certainly be costs and penalties. Your best strategy is to fully read and understand all the fine print before you sign the loan papers, so you can build in some wiggle room at the beginning.

But hindsight is twenty-twenty. Should you find yourself needing – or wanting – to break your mortgage, here are some things Negin suggests you consider.

Tax breaks may help cover the costs – If you're breaking a mortgage because you need to move for work, there may be some financial help available. With intra-company transfers, your employer may cover the costs as part of your moving expenses. Or, if you're moving to start a new job or to be significantly closer to your work, the fees may be tax-deductible. More details are available on the Canada Revenue Agency website at <http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca>.

Do some homework – If someone offered you \$10,000 to make a few phone calls, or spend a few hours researching mortgage rates online, would you do it? Shopping around for a mortgage could easily save you that much over its lifetime. So if you're considering breaking your

mortgage to get a better deal on the financing, be sure to look – thoroughly – before you leap.

Check the fine print, and the math – Often, Negin says, the calculations used to determine the penalties of breaking a mortgage are not properly disclosed to clients. Further, different lenders calculate the penalties differently. Some use posted rates, some use discounted rates, and some will only let you break a mortgage if there's a bona fide sale to replace it.

Amortization rules have changed – Last year, new rules were introduced that limited amortization periods to 30 years instead of 35. While this prudent measure may help prevent homebuyers from overextending themselves, it also has implications for property or real estate investors, who may want to divide costs over the longest period possible. Make sure you know how this may affect you before you break your existing mortgage.

Paying late tarnishes your credit rating – Don't sign on for bigger payments than you can comfortably afford. If you fall behind, or even are occasionally late with a payment, your credit rating will suffer. That can place you at a whole different risk level for financing purposes, and mortgage packages or preferential rates for which you might have once qualified may be lost. Any gains you may have made with the higher payments will now go to paying higher interest rates.

Know the costs – Most fixed-rate mortgages have a standard charge for breaking them, which is the greater of either (a) three months interest penalties or (b) the inter-

est rate differential between the old and new rates. But other mortgage agreements may have collateral charges that must be satisfied, especially if you're breaking the mortgage to change to a different lender. Legal fees may also be involved. Negin says it's quite possible that none of this was clearly explained or fully disclosed to you at the time you signed the mortgage papers, either.

Try to blend and extend – For a plan with a five-year term, many mortgagees will consider refinancing around the four-year mark, Negin says. She suggests you find out if your lender will let you "blend and extend". With the right circumstances, timing and interest rates, they may offer you a better rate for a longer period, which may make the mortgage-breaking penalties worthwhile.

Make friends with your broker – For the best handle on the rates you pay for a mortgage, Negin suggests you stay in touch with your broker. He or she will keep you in the loop, watch out for good deals and keep you apprised of the bigger financial picture. Your broker will also help you evaluate the pros and cons, so you can make an informed decision as to whether it's better to break the mortgage, pay the penalty and get a lower rate, or stay with the one you have because the costs outweigh the benefits. You'll then be in the best position possible to take advantage of timing – one of the best and biggest advantages you can have if ever you want to break your mortgage.

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